

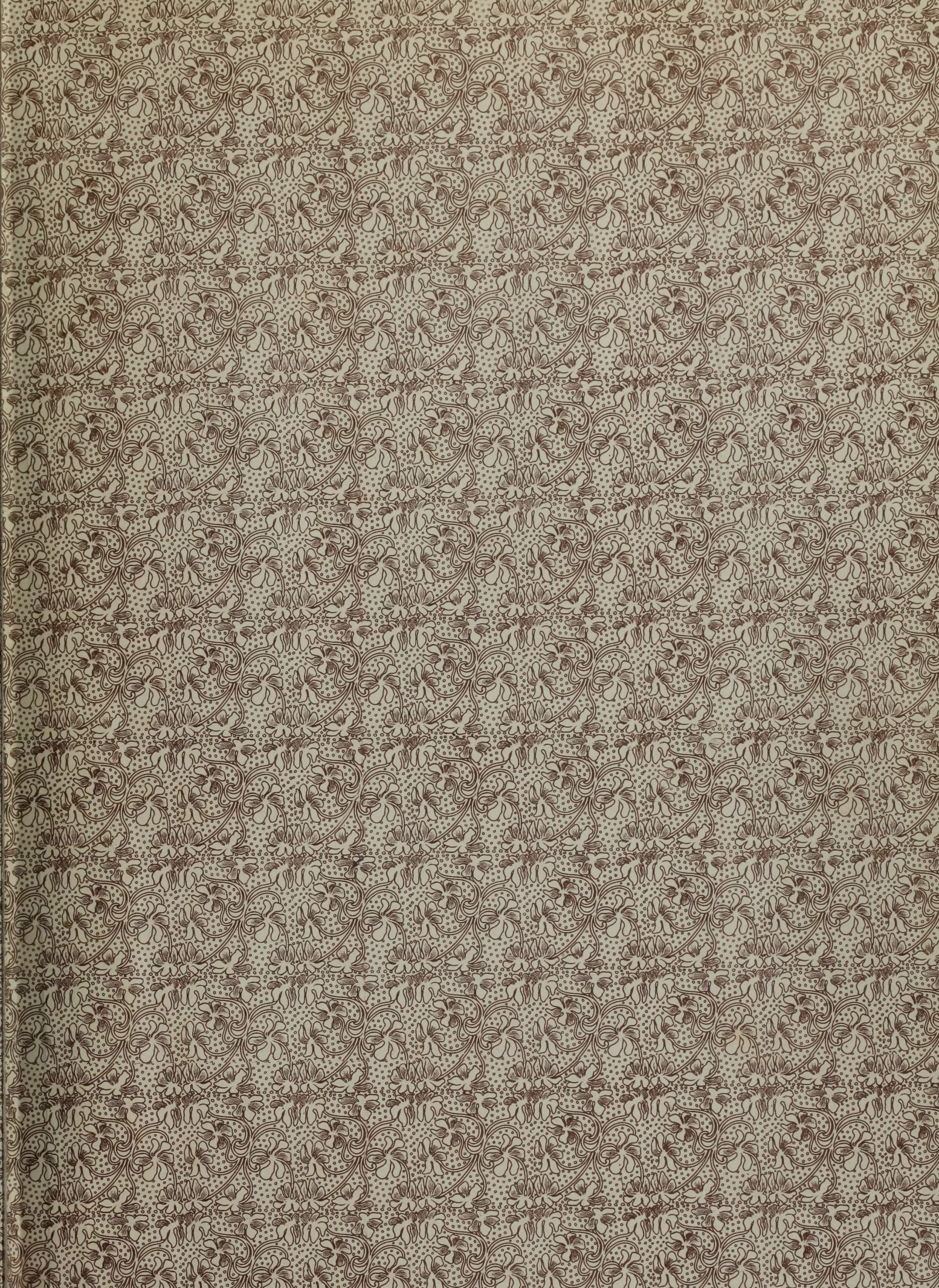
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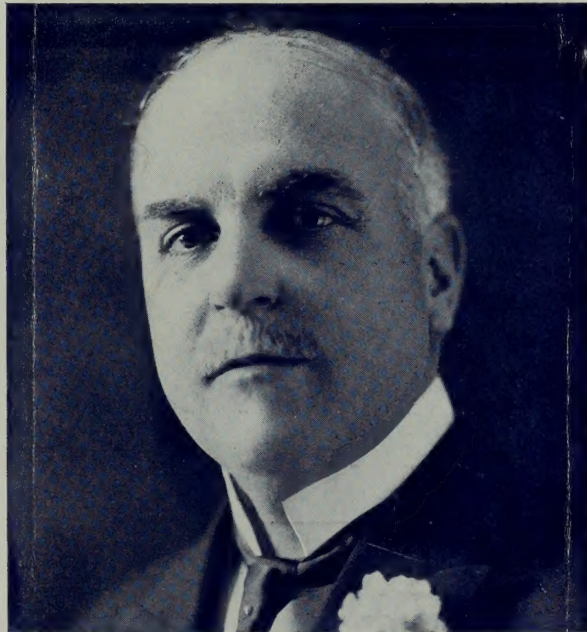
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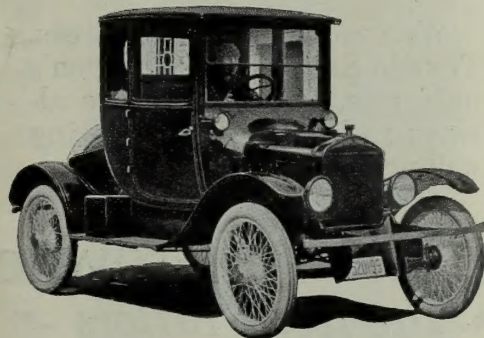
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The Morale of a Police Department

Address by THEO. J. ROCHE, President San Francisco Police Commission, Before the International Association of Chiefs of Police

Preliminarily, I desire to express my grateful appreciation for the honor bestowed upon me in being permitted to address, even for a brief period, this splendid gathering of enthusiastic and energetic representatives of the various police departments of these United States who have assembled together for the purpose of bettering and rendering more efficient and effective, those departments of our government charged with the trust and duty of protecting and conserving the lives and properties of our citizens and residents, and to perpetuating the traditions of true American police administration.

As a manifestation of this appreciation, I desire to assure you in advance that I shall not demand very much of your time in expressing the thoughts which I have conceived respecting the subject assigned to me, knowing as I do, that your arduous labors just concluded, justly entitle you to the enjoyable relaxation which I am convinced our worthy chief has provided for you. It would be entirely inappropriate for me to occupy your time by entrenching upon one or more of the subjects discussed during your recent convention, but the subject assigned to me demands some slight consideration of police effectiveness and efficiency and those elements, without the existence of which efficiency and effectiveness in police administration cannot be attained.

The "morale" or the "esprit de corps" of a metropolitan police department is exemplified and illustrated by the courage, patriotism, loyalty and efficiency of its members. In the absence of any of these essential characteristics, the organization is lacking in morale.

In major measure, the morale of a community depends upon and can be measured and estimated by the integrity and efficiency of its law-enforcement officials for the reason that to the extent to which law and order in a community are enforced and obedience to regulation is compelled, to that extent is the community made a fit place for habitation. In a similar way, but possibly to a less degree, the crimes of a city are reflected by its police administration because a law-abiding community will not only at all times insist upon its police department maintaining and enforcing the law, but at the same time, it will uphold it in its activities and assist it in punishing the transgressor.

It is therefore obvious that community morale and police morale

are so interwoven that one is largely dependent upon the other, and laxity in either is a serious menace to the life and existence of the other. It follows that in order to attain maximum police efficiency in any community, it is essential that its citizenry shall not only desire law enforcement, but at the same time, give to it, constant and con-



THEODORE J. ROCHE
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San Francisco

tinuous co-operation.

Without morale, no efficiency can exist in any branch of the government charged with law enforcement, and to determine whether a police department possesses morale, it is necessary to first ascertain some of its more important duties, secondly, whether those duties are properly and adequately performed, and thirdly, to give some attention to those considerations which tend to either impair or strengthen the stamina of any police organization.

It was not many years ago when it was popularly believed that the range of police service and activity, at least in major part was measured by the making of arrests for violation of the law, ferreting out transgressors of the law, preventing law violations and temporarily confining suspected criminals and law violators. Within the past two decades, the fallacy of this belief became gradually understood and it was finally realized by the public in general that the duties of a metropolitan police department are as varied and complex as are the phases of life and human activity with which it almost daily comes in contact.

Today maximum and efficient police service is developed and brought about by scientific principles, intelligently and effectively applied, in conjunction with the assistance of men particularly chosen because of their ability, their intrepid courage, their recognized loyalty, their physical prowess and their constant alertness. It is because of this situation that the modern police department of today demands and possesses a high type of citizenship and intelligence which finds illustration in the rank and file of existing police departments of communities of some substantial size.

In place of assigning to indiscriminate service, the various members of a police force, in each large and well-regulated police department, we have bureaus, each of which is highly specialized in its own sphere, and yet is at all times co-ordinating and co-operating with the others. It is not my intention to refer to the technical service rendered by these bureaus because they are well known to you all, but I believe it proper, in connection with the morale of a police institution, to dwell for a moment upon the human side of the department, which must appeal with special force to those who are anxious to give credit to efficient police administration.

The police department is peculiarly an institution of humanitarianism. The public, it is true, learn only of those instances of police activity in which is involved the commission of some major or sensational crime or the apprehension of some celebrated criminal. Of the police service that is quietly and unostentatiously performed, but which, to a much greater extent, assists in the up-building of those members of a community,

whose moral fabric is disintegrating or weakened, that brings together and binds more closely the family tie, that solves those human problems which involve home destruction and human degradation, and that call for the exercise of a keen and honest and sympathetic discretion, the public knows but little, but it is service of this character that point out the existence of morale in a police department.

The future status and life of the rising generation, the part they will play in our civilization, their effectiveness as law-abiding citizens, depends in large measure, upon the character of protection they are accorded by the police administration and that character of protection in turn, is dependent upon the moral tone and morale of each individual member of the organization. To have the ability to render this protection, he must have the confidence of his superior officer and of the community, which confidence cannot exist in the absence of character and integrity.

And may I be permitted to pause for a moment to refer to that branch of the police administration which has rendered such splendid and effective service in connection with the phase of police activity, the personnel of which is composed of women protective officers. I am glad to be able to state that San Francisco was one of the few cities that pioneered the movement, which has brought into existence, women police officials. At an early date, it recognized that certain classes of female delinquency could be better handled and cared for by women. It is truly said that the love that a mother has for her child is the greatest of all human affections. This love is instinctive with women. Man knows but little about it. Into the police service, those splendid women have brought this motherly love and mother sympathy, counsel and advice, through which many young girls, without publicity, has been saved to herself, her family and the community.

The character of these women, as well as of their service is best exemplified in the person of Mrs. Van Winkle, the president of the Woman's Auxiliary Association, whose experience, character and rare attainments have made her illustrious in the police world.

There are certain fundamental elements which must be developed in order to produce efficiency and morale in a police department. These elements are not only exclusively confined to the men. They must exist in the man or group of men that control and dictate the policies of the department and likewise of the public. These elements principally are bravery, loyalty, truthfulness, character and courtesy. The bravery of a police official is traditional. It becomes an instinct with him because in his work there is no place for cowardice. He is exposed to danger at

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Biographical Sketch of James Rolph, Jr.

MAYOR OF SAN FRANCISCO

James Rolph Jr., mayor of San Francisco for the past ten years, is completing his third consecutive term as chief executive of this city. Three times has he been elected at the primaries, the people having shown by overwhelming majorities on each occasion their approval of his broad, progressive principles and his accomplishments for the public good.

Born August 23, 1869, in San Francisco, Mayor Rolph has lived here all his life. At an early age he entered business as an employe of the commission firm of De Witt, Kittle & Co. Twelve years later he formed the present firm of Hind, Rolph & Co., with an old schoolmate, George U. Hind as his partner. In 1914, Mayor Rolph brought into being the Rolph Navigation & Coal Co. When the war broke out in 1917, the Mayor at once saw the necessity of putting into the building of ships every ounce of available strength. The result was the Rolph Shipbuilding Company, which purchased the old Bendixsen shipyards on Humboldt Bay and started the construction of wooden steamers and barkentines on a large scale. In the spring of 1919 the Rolph Mail Steamship Company was organized to carry on trade with South American and Central American ports. The incorporation of James Rolph & Co., capitalized at \$2,000,000, and the purchase of the Six Minute Ferry Co., are among the mayor's latest business ventures.

Among his other activities, Mayor Rolph is president of the Mission Bank and president also of the Mission Savings Bank. He served three terms as president of the Shipowners' Association of the Pacific Coast, three terms as trustee of the Chamber of Commerce and three years as president of the Merchants' Exchange. He was a director of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and is known the world around as San Francisco's "Exposition Mayor." At the present time he is an honorary member of the New York and San Francisco police departments.

Mayor Rolph's record as chief magistrate of San Francisco is one long list of great accomplishments. The Civic Center, with its unexcelled City Hall, its public library and its Municipal Auditorium, was constructed during the Rolph administration. So were the Municipal Railways. The Hetch Hetchy water grant was obtained from Congress and the huge project brought to its present advanced state under his direction. Other achievements of the Rolph administration include the construction of the Twin Peaks and Stockton street tunnels, the erection of more than a score of modern school buildings, and dozens of other projects all making for the advancement of San Francisco.

Because of his public reception of dignitaries from the four corners of the world, Mayor James Rolph Jr., is one of the best known, if not the best known Mayors of the United States.

VOLLMER ALWAYS ON THE GO

Chief August Vollmer, former president of the I. A. C. P., was perhaps the busiest man in San Francisco while the convention was in session, although he had a close rival in Chief Dan O'Brien, the host. The Berkeley chief presided at the convention meetings, sat in at meetings of the various sections and helped O'Brien play host to the assembled police heads.

At that he found time to make several outside addresses. One was delivered before the members of the Rotary Club at the Palace Hotel.

"There are one million recognized criminals in the United States," Vollmer told the Rotarians. "Of that number 500,000 are in jail."

"The United States government spends twice as much for the prevention of crime as it does for its educational system."

Vollmer urged that special attention be given to the development of the school child that he may be saved for society.

JAMES FINN, CHIEF SECRETARY

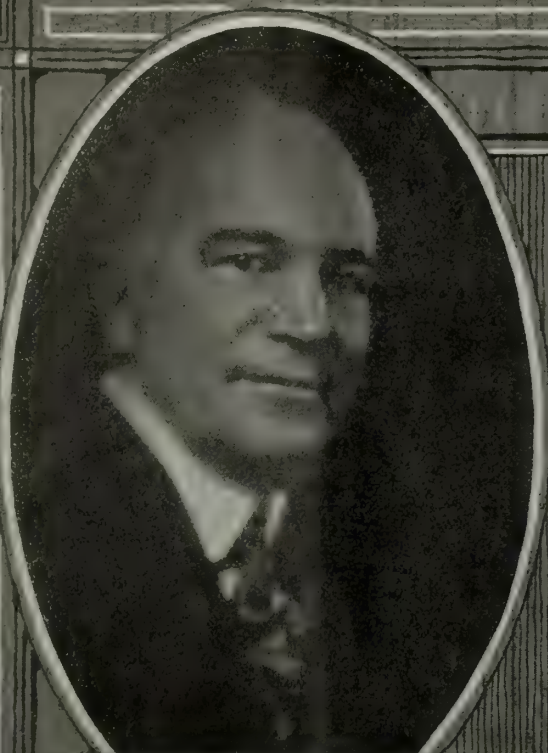
James Finn or "Jim" as his thousands of friends know him is the confidential secretary of Chief of Police Daniel O'Brien.

For some five years he has held this position and he has the details of the police business at his fingers end and relieves the chief of much work by keeping track of such.

Secretary Finn has been in public life many years and he knows the city, its people and its problems as well as any man in San Francisco. He has a splendid idea of systems and organization and when there is anything along those lines going on he is generally doing his bit behind the scenes, as he is not one who courts much of the spot light.

"Jim" Finn, unlike many civilians who assume a place in the Police Department is popular with all the boys and he knows most of them.

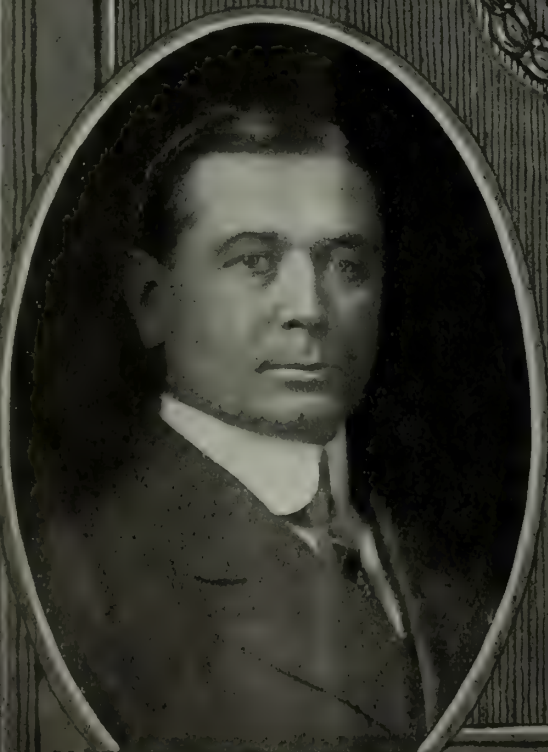
As the saying goes he is a "good man in a good place."



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POLICE COMMISSIONER



JESSE B. COOK
POLICE COMMISSIONER

Our Police Commissioners

No city in the United States can boast of a higher class of police commissioners than San Francisco. The commission for this city is composed of four members, and the personnel of the present board is made up of men selected from the leading business men of the city.

Hon. Theodore Roche

Theodore Roche, president of the commission is recognized as one of the leading attorneys in the west. A young man yet, he possesses one of the quickest acting brains to be found among the legal profession. He has participated in some of the largest civil law cases of the state, and has won some of the largest damage suits on record.

As a police commissioner he has always been sympathetic with the members of the department, and no man facing charges, as some men do in the best of police departments, need fear other than fair treatment at his hands.

He lends an attentive ear and gives invaluable advice on all matters appertaining to matters that come before the board.

Commissioner Roche was appointed by Mayor James Rolph, Jr., to the board on September 30, 1912, reappointed January 8, 1915, January 13, 1919. His present appointment extends to 1923.

Commissioner Roche has had many more lucrative political positions offered him but he has always passed them up until he was prevailed upon to accept a place on the board of police commissioners.

Hon. Jesse B. Cook

Jesse B. Cook is the oldest member of the board in point of service. He was appointed January, 1912, reappointed January 8, 1916 and again in January, 1920. His term expires in 1924.

Commissioner Cook was chief of police from December 31, 1908 to January 28, 1910, when he resigned to go into business for himself.

He was appointed a member of the San Francisco police department April 13, 1889, was made a sergeant, February 1, 1895, as a result of his ability and as a commander of the Chinatown squad won the commendation of his superiors, and the confidence of the Chinese of the better class. He is remembered to his day by many leading Chinese merchants as the man who came into their section and made it difficult for the gamblers and narcotic dealers to operate. He was the pioneer in cleaning up Chinatown.

At the present time he is superintendent of buildings and of the safe deposit department of the main and many branches of the Mercantile Trust Company, holding a position of great trust with the same ability as he displayed as a member of the police department.

Hon. Dr. Thomas Shumate

Dr. Thomas Shumate was appointed to the police commission April 2, 1913, reappointed January 8, 1914 and January 8, 1918. His term expired this year when he was reappointed for another four years by Mayor Rolph.

Dr. Shumate is one of the leading physicians and surgeons of the city. As a business man he is recognized as one of the most successful. Beside possessing a complete knowledge of his profession he has coupled with it a business understanding that has placed him in the front ranks as a business man.

He organized, and founded the St. Francis Hospital, which is one of the most complete institutions of its kind in the west. It is the latest thing in treating the sick and injured.

He is the head of one of the largest chains of drug stores in the city.

To all these lines he gives his personal attention, and with all the care these duties demand, he still finds time to devote to matters affecting our police department.

Hon. Andrew F. Mahony

Andrew F. Mahony is the newest member of the police commission. He was appointed January 13, 1919, reappointed November 10, 1919 and again on January, 1921.

His success in the shipping business is not exceeded by the success of the other members of the commission in their respective lines.

He is identified with many shipping concerns, but his main efforts are devoted to the Andrew F. Mahony Company which operates a line of ships transporting lumber from the Columbia River, Grays Harbor, Puget Sound and British Columbia, to San Francisco and San Pedro. Seven boats are operated, and they carry over 150,000,000 feet of lumber a year.

He is director of the Red Stack which operates 20 powerful tug boats for the transportation of cargoes into the harbor, and they have been called upon many times to go to the rescue of an endangered ship.

In addition to this he is identified with the Mahoney-Crowley Company, a \$1,000,000 concern that has a line of tug boats and launches devoted mostly to bay service.

No member of the commission has anything on Commissioner Mahony when it comes to enthusiasm for the police department and its members.



DANIEL J. O'BRIEN

Chief of Police of San Francisco

Chief O'Brien's Record With The Department

On December 30, 1908, Daniel J. O'Brien was appointed and duly sworn in a member of the San Francisco police department. After being given the usual preliminary advice as to the manner in which a patrolman should conduct himself and the department he represented, he was assigned to a beat in the Mission police district. This beat comprised all streets bounded by Castro, Army, Twin Peaks and 20th streets.

It did not take him long to realize that the first and most essential duty on the part of a patrolman, was that of distinguishing between those who were always willing to give the policeman a "helping hand" in upholding orderly government, and those who were ready to take advantage of the rules of society for their selfish purposes. It is related of him that from the very first day he donned a uniform he demonstrated the art of establishing friendship with every lawabiding resident on his beat.

After serving a year in the Mission police district he was transferred to the Bush street police district and in sequence to the Southern, Central, Harbor, North End, again back to the Bush, and finally to the station of his first appointment—the Mission. While never regularly assigned to the Richmond, Potrero, or Park police districts, he did perform in these police districts on many details.

On June 1, 1911, less than three years after his appointment to the department, he was promoted to the rank of corporal. On June 23, 1913, he was appointed temporary sergeant, and while holding that rank, was assigned to duty in charge of the "Chinatown Squad." During the period of his "stewardship" in Chinatown, he was confronted with one of the most violent tong wars in the history of San Francisco. He determined, however, that he would go to the root of the existing disturbance, and as a result of his diplomacy and strict devotion to police duty, he was successful in having peace re-established between the warring tongs. His first act was to secure the co-operation of the merchants and of those who wished to pursue their calling in a lawabiding manner. Through the confidence reposed in him by the parties just mentioned, he was able to identify the "highbinder" element, and needless to say they were drastically dealt with. He also recognized the many evils connected with the organized gambling rings then existing in Chinatown, and it was through his activities that this disturbing element was compelled to seek some "hunting ground" other than San Francisco. It is true that the merchants or business men of China-

town were rather skeptical at that time as to whether Sergeant O'Brien could be able to accomplish his purpose, but speak to any one of them now and you will soon learn that the name "Dan O'Brien" is the most respected name in their role of honor, on account of the services rendered by him while in charge of the Chinatown squad.

In the month of November, 1913, he was relieved from duty with the Chinatown squad, and after receiving the commendation of his superior officers for the able manner in which he conducted himself there, he was placed in charge of the bureau of permits and registration. On August 24, 1914, he was appointed a permanent sergeant; on August 28, 1914, a temporary lieutenant; October 1, permanent lieutenant, and on October 2, 1916, was detailed a chief clerk of the department which entitled him to rank as captain. He served in the capacity of captain and chief clerk until December 1, 1920, when he was appointed chief of police. It was during the period of service as chief clerk that he well demonstrated the executive ability he possessed. It is no stretching of the imagination to say that Captain O'Brien made more friends in these four years than any police official in the entire United States, during a like period. It was during this period that close co-operation was required between our local government and the United States government, and in all national activities, whether of a military, charitable, or social character, Captain O'Brien could be found in the front rank both day and night, successfully carrying out the details of every enterprise involving police co-operation.

On the first day of December, 1922, when Captain O'Brien received his well merited reward by his appointment of chief of police, the first one to congratulate him was Commissioner of Police Jesse B. Cook. Behind this congratulation was a keen satisfaction entertained by Commissioner Cook, as he had seen Dan O'Brien enter the department and in fact was the chief of police who administered the oath of office. All through his promotional appointments in the department, Commissioner Cook had the pleasure of signing his certificates of appointment, and needless to say he was pleased on that December day to see the man who, by executive ability and strict devotion had quickly climbed from the lowest to the highest rank in the department.

Since the year 1908 when Chief O'Brien entered the department, many changes have taken place, both in the personnel of the department and the machinery of operation. Since that time, Jesse

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What They Say and Do When Tagged

By CAPTAIN HENRY GLEESON, *Commander of Traffic Bureau of the San Francisco Police Department, Who Has Made Wonderful Progress in Handling Motor Traffic of this City*

A traffic commander in a large city is required to attempt to learn the difference between an automobile operator who wishes to obey the law, and those who try to evade them.

The great majority of men and women who operate automobiles are fully aware that traffic laws means something to all the people of a great city. That these laws mean thought and consideration for other people, and with that knowledge they seldom, if ever violate traffic laws.

On the other hand, there are too many men and women who believe they have no time to learn, or attempt, a study of, traffic laws. These operators drive, or stand, wherever and whenever they choose, to the inconvenience and disturbance of all others.

This class of violators are amusing, when after finding traffic tags upon their automobiles, they commence to plan some excuse to present at the traffic bureau.

A morning session at the Traffic Bureau presents to one who has no tag, a very interesting lesson in human nature.

It is difficult to gain the same point of view as traffic violators, in their amusing excuses for deliberate violations committed to satisfy their wishes at the time.

The laws against speeding, reckless driving, crossing safety zones, parking too near hydrants, is so well known that a violator has seldom any good reasons for having committed the violation. He is therefore at a loss, what excuse to give, that will impress a traffic commander.

It is these frantic efforts by violators to avoid clear responsibility, that are amusing, for instance:

Have you seen the man—

Who looks at his watch and a 40 minute tag?

Who "did not see the hydrant" near the theatre until he came out and found the tag?

Who thought the tag "was a joke", but could not find the joker?

The lady who asks, "what law is 20-F"?

Who moved the safety zone signs only "a couple of feet"?

Who asks "what law is 20-O" and says "I did not park any place?"

Who drives over the safety zone because it was after 6 o'clock?

Who parks in front of garage entrances?

Who says "I did not see any 'No Parking' sign"?

The lady who parks double on Grant Avenue and sits two hours in the Ice Cream Parlor?

Who passed to the left of a standing street car so as not to interfere with passengers getting on?

From Los Angeles who thought it was alright up here to park between signs for two hours?

The lady who was tagged and said the officer "would not speak to me?"



CAPTAIN HENRY GLEESON

The man who knocked the safety zone sign down trying to get ahead of others, and says "The other fellow crowded me over"?

The lady whose favorite officer tagged her for going on the wrong signal at—?

The man who says "I could not see the safety zone lines"?

Who says there are too many 20s to remember, except Douglas 20?

Who borrows his friend's car and tears up the tag, and don't tell his friend?

The lady who parked in front of a hydrant "to keep a date"?

The lady who never heard of Section 21, after parking four hours on Geary Street?

The Doctor who was speeding to a heart (?) case?

The jay walker, walking outside of newly painted pedestrian lines?

The man who says "What's the matter" when his lights are out?

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History of San Francisco Police Chiefs

By LESLIE C. GILLEN, for Years Police Reporter for The Chronicle and One of the Leading Newspaper Men of San Francisco

Perhaps it will be of interest to the new members of the San Francisco Police Department—and there have been many of these in the last two years—to learn something of the history of this huge judicial machine of which they have become a cog.

Hence, it is considered appropriate that the first issue of "Douglas 20" contain a history of San Francisco's Chiefs of Police, which really is a miniature history of the Police Department itself.

Perhaps it will be of interest to the new members of the department for who can say but that one or several from among the ranks of the new police officers of this department are designed by Fate or their "Lucky Star" to some day in the future wear the diamond-studded shield of the Chief of Police.

Little did Chief Daniel J. O'Brien dream when in 1908, just 14 years ago, he joined the San Francisco Police Department that he would some day be Chief. Chief O'Brien formerly was a stationary engineer in the Flood Building. When he joined the department it was against the wishes of Mrs. O'Brien, the Chief will tell you himself. But he joined, for he seemed to feel that was his calling. And little did he think when he trudged along on one of the longest and loneliest beats in the Mission district, that the men he rubbed elbows with—his fellow officers—would some day compose part of his command.

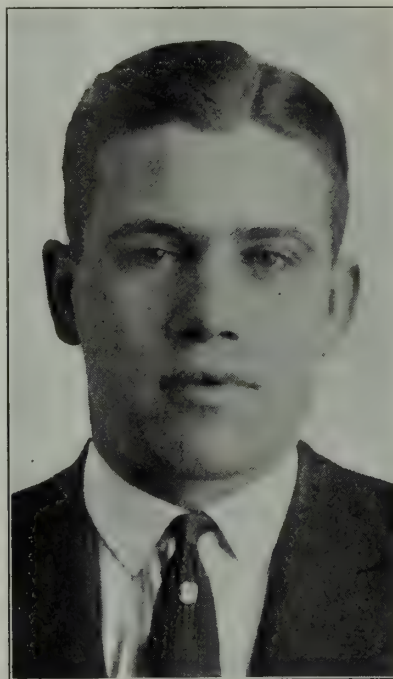
Being Chief of Police isn't the only ambition that young police officers can cherish. The San Francisco Police Department is a grand old institution and has graduated numerous successful men whose achievements have been in varied lines of endeavor. The most recent example of which the department may boast is that of Frank J. Egan, Public Defender. Egan began as a policeman. He walked a beat and later was assigned to the detective bureau. He was a partner of the late and lamented Miles Jackson before he resigned from the department to take up law as his life's work. Egan attributes his present success to his early training, discipline and hard work in the San Francisco Police Department.

The fact, therefore, is that the department is a wonderful school and a wonderful stepping stone for the men who will appreciate it as such. The new police officers of today have the advantage over the old timers who were cubs when politics rather than true merit had the prior claim over all things. Besides being a good business, the police

business is a fascinating one that gets into the blood.

With the exception of Chief O'Brien there are just three of San Francisco's former chiefs living today. All three are still engaged in their beloved "police business."

Former Chief Jesse B. Cook is an active Police Commissioner, and has been for a number of years. Former Chief Jerry Dinan is still a police sergeant, and most of the biggest arrests in robbery, burglary and safe cracking cases in San



LESLIE C. GILLEN

Francisco, if traced back, invariably prove that Jerry Dinan had a "finger in the pie," on some angle of the case.

The office of chief of police in San Francisco has always been a delicate and a "ticklish" one, for although the city is young, its growth has overshadowed its years.

It has been hereditary that each chief finds his office a most difficult task. A chief of police is ever before the public eye and at times his most earnest and sincere efforts often are regarded with suspicion and distrust. This seems to have become a custom of the American people. The error or negligence of a subordinate, a crime wave, or, any civic disturbance that excites the public, eventually reverts to, or reflects upon, the chief.

The same trying tasks were faced by the pion-

eer chiefs of San Francisco, by the few city marshals before them, and by the Spanish Alcaldes, who first guided the destiny and preserved the peace of San Francisco.

The most difficult task faced by the early chiefs and old city marshals, it seems, was to hold their reserve, dignity and even their official authority against the people. In those trying days the police department was such a minority that it was at the mercy of the "law abiding citizenry," who often meted out its own justice, to the despair and shameful embarrassment of the police head. In other words, the Vigilance Committee was the Nemesis of the city marshals and chiefs.

The first peace officer in San Francisco under the American flag was Lieutenant Washington A. Bartlett, U. S. N., who held the office of Alcalde during the "forties". Under Mexican laws an Alcalde had supreme control of municipal affairs and he administered justice pretty much as he saw fit. The only historic note of Bartlett's administration was that he signed and caused to be printed in the California Star, on January 30, 1847, an ordinance directing that the cove of Yerba Buena should thereafter be officially known as San Francisco.

The following month, February 22, he was succeeded by Edwin Bryant, who resigned a few months later, and George Hyde was appointed to fill the vacancy. Shortly after he took office Hyde was instructed by the military Governor to hold an election and elect six constables to assist him. The population of the town at that time numbered 459.

In the early part of 1849 the population jumped to 5,000, and still there were only six constables, virtually undisciplined, to preserve peace. A criminal band, known as the "Hounds", came into existence at that time, under the leadership of a notorious Sam Roberts, and committed such brazen crimes that citizens held an indignation mass meeting in Portsmouth square, across from the present Hall of Justice. A subscription was taken to buy rifles. Two hundred and thirty became volunteer policemen and swiftly rounded up the "Hounds."

In the last of 1849 and the early part of 1850, the population of San Francisco reached 30,000, caused by the gold rush, and a new city charter was adopted. Colonel John W. Geary, San Francisco's last Alcalde, was elected her first Mayor, and Malachi Fallon, once keeper of the famous New York "Tombs", became her first city marshal on May 1, 1850, with a force of twelve men.

In April of 1850, Robert G. Crozier was elected to succeed Marshal Fallon but the famous Vigilantes organized about the same time, and forcibly took the new marshal's official duties off his hands until in despair he demanded a reorganized and

strengthened command. His demand was heeded, and on July 26, 1851, the force was increased to fifty men with two captains and two assistant captains.

Crozier was re-elected the following year and finally was succeeded a year later by Brandt Seaguine. New appointments were made on the police force and among the man appointed was Isaiah W. Lees, who later was recognized as one of the greatest detectives in America, and served as captain of detectives and finally chief of the department.

In 1856 the Vigilantes took Charles Cora, a gambler, who murdered United States Marshal W. R. Richardson, and Supervisor James Casey, who murdered James King, editor of the Bulletin, away from the police and tried and convicted both in the Vigilance Committee court. They were hanged at the same time in front of the Vigilantes' building on Sacramento Street.

Marshal North was so opposed to the Vigilantes after this demonstration that the committee formed a private police and named James Curtis as chief.

In July, 1856, by the Consolidation act, the office of city marshal was abolished and the office of chief of police created. The force was increased to 150 men, and James Curtis, erstwhile Vigilante leader, was elected San Francisco's first chief on November 4.

The police department was whipped into better shape and ran more smoothly from then on, because of the gradual dying out of Vigilante spirit, and the better regulated department. Curtis was succeeded as chief by Martin Burke, of the Madison-Burke Realty Company, and Patrick Crowley followed Burke in 1865 and held office until 1874 when Theodore Cockrill was elected in his place. Two years later Cockrill was succeeded by H. H. Ellis, who was considered a brilliant detective and served for many years with the world-renowned Lees.

Indeed, it was Lees and Ellis who delayed the famous Broderick-Terry duel between United States Senator David Broderick and David Terry, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Learning that the duel was to take place on the morning of September 12, 1859, Lees and Ellis went to the scene—at Lake Merced—arriving just as the weapons were being handed to the principals. They placed the pair under arrest, but the case was dismissed that day by Judge Coon, and the following day the duel was fought on the same scene, and Broderick was killed. The same officers afterward arrested Terry for the killing.

Ellis was succeeded as chief by John Kirkpatrick in 1878, and, although San Francisco had now grown into a city of no mean size, the provisions

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Hon. James D. Phelan Says:



AFTER an absence of eleven months, I returned to San Francisco to find that a tremendous impetus has been somehow given to its growth. I think it comes from the population attracted by the commercial opportunities and pleasurable living advantages. San Francisco is, and always has been, in the class of metropolitan cities, never provincial, but always broad and cosmopolitan in its character as well as in its commerce. San Francisco

is the principal city of the United States on the greatest of the world's oceans. It is the beneficiary of great universities and has always indulged its artistic tastes by the establishment of galleries and patronage of the arts and letters.

The Police Department has kept up with the growth of the City, and has been able to maintain law and order and the integrity of the courts, without which there can be no progress or achievement. Men must be secure in their lives and property if their good will is to be won. The favor of the people, the choice of homes and place of residence, account for the steady growth of the City.

If every other department of the City showed as much efficiency as the Police, there would be no limit to San Francisco's growth. Every natural advantage is ours, and every acquired benefit is possible to energy and enterprise.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "James D. Phelan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

"The Law of The Road"

By JUDGE THOMAS F. PRENDERGAST, Who as Justice of the Peace Hearing Accident Cases, Finds That Many Motorists Do Not Know the Traffic Rules

In his work on the bench, Judge Prendergast as a Justice of the Peace is constantly in touch with the law of negligence as applied to automobile accidents. Cases involving damages in automobile collisions come before him almost daily. The counsel represent almost exclusively insurance carriers on injured care, and these attorneys, experts in their special branch of the law, keep abreast of decisions, so that their briefs represent refinements in negligence law. The judge is considered by them as an authority on the subject, which he discusses in this article.

In the last four years, the period of my experience on the bench, there has been an amazing increase in the volume of litigation flowing from negligent handling of automobiles. The calendar of the court has grown to almost double its former length from this source. Many more attorneys are engaged in such cases than formerly and one may well ask where is it all going to end? Meanwhile the reports of the Supreme Court and the District Courts of Appeal are filled with decisions on cases of negligence in automobile accidents. Already practically every phase of the law covered by the Motor Vehicle Act has been analyzed and passed upon by the courts, yet so varied are the facts arising in collisions that there is always some new point open for judicial construction.

Taking a comprehensive view of the cases and decisions the inevitable conclusion is that negligence of motorists is highly reprehensible, if not criminal.

Experience with witnesses in automobile negligence cases leads me to believe that motorists have erroneous conceptions of the law governing the right of way, particularly at street intersections, and as to turning, changing their courses and stopping traffic. There is also evident much ignorance prevalent among them as to speed limitations; and while many accidents seem attributable to lack of quick judgment, or lapse of caution for the moment, still there is, throughout, something of recklessness—a readiness on the part of drivers to take chances. From the testimony there is, too, a frequent betrayal of a feeling of indifference on the part of owners of automobiles, who hold in mind, "I am insured; the insurance company will pay the damage."

Taking chances to save a minute or two undoubtedly results in many collisions; for the testimony shows that often if drivers had only been careful going into intersections they could have avoided accidents. They keep rushing onward in their course, thinking because they have what they consider is the right of way, they need not

stop for the other fellow to pass. And in such instances if caution was taken such as a prudent man would use in ordinary affairs of life, the machines would have passed without coming together.

Such a vast body of new law has been built up by the court decisions on automobile accidents, it is difficult to gather from the decisions a concise statements of the law of the road. I shall take from the syllabi of the cases some salient findings and rules which may help give a plain view of these rules.

As to speed, while the Motor Vehicle Act allows a speed of fifteen miles an hour at crossings of streets and in certain streets, yet speed is, after all, relative. The Supreme Court held in the case of Gross vs. Burnside that under certain circumstances or conditions, driving at fifteen miles would be gross negligence. In this case a driver went round the end of a street car at fifteen miles an hour and slowed up at the intersection, but as the night was dark and the place poorly lighted and the scene of the accident was a city street, the speed was held excessive. This case plainly holds that regardless of what rate of speed the law may allow, still the driver of an automobile should always operate his car in a reasonable and prudent manner with due regard for the safety of others on the roadway.

In the case of Kearny vs. Castellotti, a driver of a truck who entered a heavily traveled thoroughfare at an unobstructed corner from the wrong side of the street at a speed of fifteen miles was held guilty of negligence.

The driver of an automobile is bound to use reasonable care to anticipate the presence on the street of other persons having equal rights with himself to be there, independent of the provisions of the statute regulating the operation of automobiles. Zarzana vs. Neve Drug Co.

In this state, even in populous streets of cities, pedestrians are not restricted to the crossings in traversing a street, but may cross it at any point, and the same is true of their right to walk along the roadbed of a highway. Fahey vs. Madden. A pedestrian, crossing a street, however, is bound to look in the direction from which automobiles

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JUDGE THOMAS
F. PRENDERGAST

Two Score and More Years Service

SERGEANT WM. CALLINAN Pensioned by the Police Pension Board After Long and Honorable Record with San Francisco Police Department

On Monday evening, October 2, Sergeant William Callinan terminated 44 years, 4 months and 18 days as a member of the San Francisco Police Department. On that night he was pensioned by the police commission retiring from an active career at the age of 76 years.

When his name was called by Secretary Charles Skelly, Sergeant Callinan, head erect, shoulders straight, approached the commissioners' tables, the first time he ever faced that body for any cause but for praise, and though he maintained his soldierly bearing there was in his tread a something that showed he felt deeply the arrival of the moment when, as he put it himself, he needed a little rest and would give the younger boys a chance.

And Commissioner Jesse Cook, who as chief of police years ago knew and respected the sergeant made a speech that told of the appreciation of the service Callinan had done, of his faithfulness, of his loyalty, of his fearlessness, and of the fact that there never was a black mark placed against his record by any complaint or charge.

Chief of Police Daniel O'Brien then approached the sergeant to present him with a gold star, the gift of the boys at the Park Station where for years Sergeant Callinan had been assigned and has been loved by all his fellow officers as well as thousands who visit the park and those who live about the park.

Chief O'Brien in presenting the gold star touchingly said he would not remove the regular star as it had never been taken from the officer and that he could keep it. With tear filled eyes Sergeant Callinan accepted the gift and the remarks of the commissioner and the chief.

Sergeant Callinan is a veteran of the Civil War and came to California shortly after the end of that conflict. He joined the police department in the days when a policeman's duties were somewhat hazardous. By close attention to his duties and by study was he raised to corporal and then to sergeant.

He never sought the soft berths and took what was given him. He has been on "beats" all his life and on every beat his specialty was "kiddies". There was no more splendid sight than to see "Bill" Callinan followed by a bunch of boys and girls who knew him and who knew his kindly ways.

Up to the time he asked to be pensioned he was in charge of the day watch beat bounded by

Haight, Stanyan, Scott and Fulton Streets, and there was never a "kick" in that district when he was on duty.

With his good wife let us all hope that he will have many years to enjoy his well earned rest.



SERGEANT WILLIAM CALLINAN
Pensioned After Over 44 Years Honorable Service

His record of service, and the fact that he, the oldest man in the department kept active, by clean living, should be a guide for all young men who enter the service of the police department.

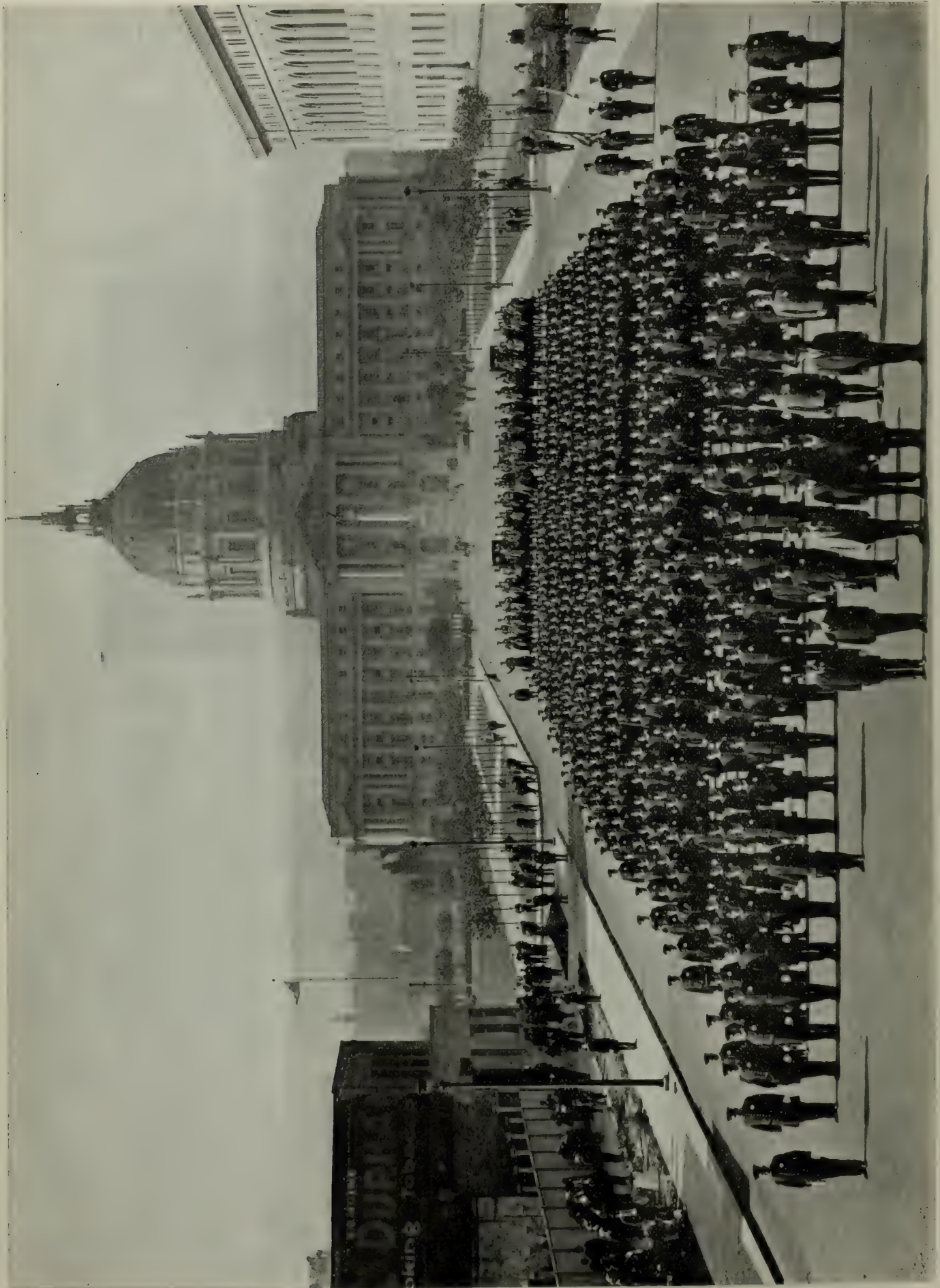
CHIEFS FAVOR GUN REGISTRATION

A uniform law for the United States and Canada, which would enable the police to name every owner of a gun found at the scene of a crime, was recommended in resolutions which the section on "Criminal Procedure" submitted to the convention as a whole at this 29th annual convention of International Chiefs of Police.

The model law, providing for the regulation of interstate shipment of firearms and for registration of all sales and resales, was submitted to the section by a special sub-committee.

The resolution adopted by the section suggested that the convention as a whole name a special committee of chiefs in each state or province to work for the passage of the model law by the various state and provincial legislative bodies.

The suggestion was followed, the appointments being left to Chief Vollmer.



ANNUAL REVIEW SAN FRANCISCO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Annual Police Inspection

City's Finest Parade and Drill Before Mayor Rolph, Jr., and Police Commissioners. Make Splendid Appearance.

The annual inspection of the San Francisco Police Department was held Saturday, October 28th in the Civic Center.

The review was one of the most imposing of a series that has followed each year.

The inspection was made by Mayor James Rolph, Jr., and the police commissioners accompanied by Chief of Police Daniel O'Brien. After the drilling of the large body of blue coats, including every man in the department that could possibly be spared, Mayor Rolph following his reviewing addressed the men. He declared that this annual turnout was the most successful that it had been his pleasure to witness. He complimented the officers for their splendid appearance, their soldierly bearing, their execution of the drilling tactics, the care of their equipment and the pep and business like manner which characterized their appearance

for the annual inspection.

A finer body of men no one would want to see. Few military organizations would excel the boys in drilling, and for this Captain Fred Lemon received many pleasing compliments, for it was the work of that officer as drill master that made a perfect machine of the hundreds of star wearers.

The mounted men, the patrolmen afoot and the motorcycle squad all acquitted themselves in a most creditable manner and afforded many thousands of people to see just what a fine body of men protect their property and lives.

After the inspection at the civic center the Mayor, commissioners and the chief visited all stations and the Hall of Justice where all officers, equipment and bureaus were inspected, and the official okeh was put on everything, for not one place could be found where things were not in apple pie order.

Frank Lycett, Police Poet, Dies

Only a few days ago members of this department paid their last respects to Corporal Frank Lycett of the Park Police Station.

Frank's passing was quite sudden and came as a great shock to his fellow officers.

Those who knew him knew of his hobby and one ambition in life, which was—to write poetry.

That's a strange hobby and ambition for a policeman, yet it was Frank's and write poetry he did. He turned verse out by the yard on every popular topic and to be truthful, some of his verse was good and some—well, even the best of them can't turn out a masterpiece every time.

But Frank was a big fellow and therefore he was big enough to acknowledge when he had not hit the bullseye.

When he did hit, Frank took modest pride in his achievement and was thrilled on the several occasions when his efforts were published in local newspapers.

If Frank were still at his old post at the Park Station today he surely would contribute a verse to "Douglas 20." Therefore, "Douglas 20" feels that something of Frank's should appear in its first issue and so a search was made and an old verse of Frank's was found. It is printed herewith and is one of the best Frank ever wrote.

As the old saying goes: "He's gone but not forgotten," fits the feeling of Frank's friends, and as proof of that his poem is published. And if there is anything to this spirit stuff, and if Frank is somewhere that it is possible for him to see and

know what's going on, we know that he will be grateful and that he will be happy that one of his best "got across" in the first issue of "Douglas 20."

"Douglas 20" herewith presents Frank's poem:

SPEAKING OF HEROES

By Frank Lycett

When you're making your list of heroes,

The roll of the brave and true,

Here's hoping that you'll remember

The one in the coat of blue.

You needn't carve him a statue,

Nor a bust in Fame's great hall;

Just stop for a fleeting moment,

And give him his dues, that's all.

Just think of the way he watches

Through the hours when the city sleeps,

When the fog drifts in from the ocean .

And the wind from the hilltop sweeps.

He fights with the forms of darkness;

No laurels crown his strife;

He pays for your peace and comfort,

If need be, with his life.

There are heroes in heat of conflict,

There are heroes of every day,

And each of them serves and conquers

In his own and separate way.

And not the least of the number

Whose motto's "Over the top",

Is the unsung City's Finest—

The hero known as "The Cop".

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HELLO, DOUGLAS TWO-O

Douglas 20 makes its bow to the public with this, its first issue.

Douglas 20 will be issued monthly for the interests of the San Francisco Police Department.

Douglas 20 has a mission to fulfill and that is to unify the members of the department who are becoming more and more numerous as the city increases in population, and is growing to the extent that a medium such as Douglas 20 will do much to promote a spirit of fellowship that will be reflected by even higher service than that displayed by the membership during the past several years.

Douglas 20 will be a police magazine, dealing with matters and problems of the police officer, and which will be of interest to the public, who after all is the employer of this great concern of protection.

Douglas 20 will exploit the serious side of the policeman, tell of his deeds, recount tales of his bravery and print stories of his activities in every field of endeavor.

Douglas 20 believes that it will promote a closer understanding between the public and the policeman, and in so doing great good will be accomplished.

There will be no politics in this magazine, and it will deal only with that which is clean and uplifting; with a sprinkle of humor here and there.

The contents of this the initial issue will serve to indicate the nature of the publication. There is much talent among the police department members from the highest to the lowest which by an exchange of ideas cannot help being beneficial.

The name of this magazine was selected, as one might presume from the police telephone number "Douglas 20".

This number for years has been the number all who have been in trouble have resorted to, and we are pleased to say that through the same exchange many people have been made happy, the public has received a maximum of service from its employee, the police department, and we hope through the columns of "Douglas 20" to make the service even more perfect.

Douglas 20 will not be confined to the activities of the San Francisco Department, but will have to do with the activities of sister organizations, through whose co-operation much has been done in suppression and apprehension of crime and criminals, and these neighboring cities throughout the state have always found the San Francisco department ready to assist in every way and they have reciprocated in every occasion when asked to do.

We shall strive to accomplish all that we have promised and intend to undertake and we feel that Douglas 20 will prove not only of benefit to the members of the San Francisco Police Department but to the public generally.

OUR DEPARTMENT.

The San Francisco Police Department for nearly a decade has maintained a place unequalled by any police department of the United States.

This is no idle boast but is borne out by records that cannot be refuted. The records will disclose that the San Francisco police department is nearer 100 per cent efficient than any other police organization of any large city.

This efficiency was not brought out in a day or a year but by a continual effort to better the department. Modernization, standardization and systematic organization, coupled by co-operation and a desire to give the fullest measure of service to the policeman's employer—the people has been the keynote for the success that has marked the efforts of the San Francisco police department.

No one man has been responsible for this constructive success, indeed it was the work of the men who headed the department assisted by the rank and file. The department headed by honest and conscientious officials as mayor, police commissioners and chiefs of police has builded up the organization to what it is today.

Prevention of crime has played as much part in the program as the detection of the criminal. The organization of various details to cope with prospective crime and criminals such as motorizing the department, selecting trained and fearless men to man high powered armored automobiles that patrol the streets at night. These same men and vehicles accompanying those carrying payrolls for banks and manufacturing plants by day have proven a worthy investment for all, the man who might have been robbed as well as the tax payers who would have to bear the experience of pursuing and prosecuting the criminal after the crime was committed.

True there is some crime committed in San Francisco. A city of nearly three quarters of a million population could not hope to escape all the crooks and lawbreakers. But when the criminal does venture forth their activity is limited to a few days before they are apprehended.

San Francisco has especially been fortunate in the matter of the drifting crook. The eastern lawbreaker, who makes crime a business assiduously shuns this city, and there are but few instances where any big crime has been committed in our city during the past few years, by the "Eastern crook".

By the installation of even more modern methods, equipment and better training of the young man who becomes a police officer the police department and the chief hope to bring the standard of police efficiency up to the utmost point of efficiency, and to do this they must have not only the cooperation of the members of the department, but the utmost support of the citizens of San Francisco, and we might add that during the past ten years the citizens of San Francisco have been very kind to the efforts of the police department, and we believe they will continue to do so.

Let the policeman help the public and the public will keep on helping the policeman.

CULTIVATE THE PEOPLE ON YOUR BEAT

Friendship!

What a really wonderful thing it is to be able to breathe a sigh of satisfaction and murmur knowingly and fervently: "Ah—he's a friend of mine."

A policeman is a friend in need of every law-abiding citizen in need, and it will not hurt for every member of the San Francisco police department, particularly the newcomers in the police business to remember that.

Cultivate the people on your beat!

That's one secret of success!

Win their confidence and have them soon learn that you are their friend, a true friend that can be relied upon but cannot be trifled with, and you're a sure winner.

Since Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien has been connected with the executive branch of the police department, which includes the years he served as chief clerk under the late Chief D. A. White, he has fostered this one idea. He has tried to make every member of the department realize that he is not alone a minion of the law, blue-coated, brass-buttoned, terrible demi-god who strides sternly through a by-street and sends shadowy forms skulking before him. No, he is not that. He is a man to be relied upon.

To be a good policeman, he must:

See that school children and folks whose limbs are slowed with age get safely across the busy thoroughfare, for sometimes it seems that this world is so taken up with the business of hurrying along and making money that it hasn't time to think of the very young and the very old.

He must be prepared to direct and assist the stranger who has lost his way, and give such an encouraging and heartwarming answer that the stranger passes on and thinks to himself—"there's a fine fellow!"

Or, lend a hand in boosting a sack of wood on the back of the kid who is carrying it home because, perhaps that kid wasn't reared in a luxurious nursery.

Or, do a hundred and one kindly little acts that may not be set forth in detail in the police manual, but which show the man in the man—show that he is a good man, a kind man, a real fellow, a human fellow.

It helps! It may not draw four per cent interest right at the start but it's all coming back to the good fellow some day. It can't be any other way. It's not in the cards to be any other way.

Thanks to the fine breed that makes up the San Francisco police department, just such things as are mentioned above are done every day with the result that scores of letters come through the mails every month to Chief O'Brien, Captain William Quinn and other commissioned officers.

"I recently visited your city and found San Francisco policemen to be most courteous and obliging, more so than I have found anywhere else in my travels," writes a man from Rhode Island, or, "You have a delightful city and I believe I made staunch friends of more policemen in San Francisco than I ever have anywhere else. They are a wonderful lot of men and they are foremost in my very pleasant memories of the city by the Golden Gate," writes a lady from Memphis.

These are extracts from two of the many letters that have been received at the chief's office and that executive takes the greatest pride in them. It shows that his men have taken to his idea and it shows that their efforts are being recognized.

From the slogan: "Cultivate the people on your beat," which is addressed to the police, there might

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AUGUST VOLLMER

Chief of Police of Berkeley, California, and President of International Association of Chief of Police, during the past year

Chief Vollmer's Address to World's Chiefs

Delivered on the Occasion of the Annual Meeting Last June in San Francisco of the International Association

Article 1, section 2, of the constitution of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, reads as follows:

"The purposes for which this association is organized are to secure a closer official and personal relationship among police officials at home and abroad; to secure unity of action in police matters; to elevate the standard of police institutions by urging the elimination of politics from their conduct; a tenure of office for those employed in the service; the maintenance of honorable men and means in the transaction of police business; the general adoption of pension and relief laws; the adoption of humane efforts in the enforcement of laws; the provision of temporary relief for its worthy members and their families in certain emergencies; the advancement along all lines pertaining to the prevention and detection of crime and the identification and treatment of prisoners."

These are indeed worthy objects and their attainment is dependent upon our ability and power. For the present purpose ability is here defined as the capacity and desire to acquire knowledge, and understanding of what branches of knowledge are requisite, the general nature of every branch, the principles upon which each is based, and the talent and skill to apply knowledge.

But ability alone is not enough. After planning a course, including a methodical arrangement of the various means conducive to the attainment of our objects and bringing each constituent into systematic connection and co-operation as a part of a whole, we must have force and character of a degree commensurate with the plan of action combined with sufficient zeal and enthusiasm to insure the realization of our ideals.

A few of the essentials which in my opinion, should be included in a comprehensive plan of action are briefly mentioned in the following paragraphs, and are respectfully submitted in the hope that they may simulate discussion, arouse imagination, furnish inspiration and initiate power to produce results at this, the 29th conclave of the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

Legislative bodies seem somewhat confused at times regarding the purpose and function of the police. In one community they limit police activities to protection of life and property and the regulation of traffic, whilst in others every state and municipal function is assigned to the police.

Our duties have been drafted by lawmakers and theorists without seeking aid from expert policemen, primarily because the policeman himself has never been altogether clear on the subject. Therefore, the time is ripe for police executives to discuss this fundamental question and prepare a form which may be helpful to legislators in the future. Universal acceptance of the form cannot be immediately effected, but there is every reason to believe that recommendations from this organization will be given serious thought by men entrusted with the responsibility of writing instruments which provide for the creation of police departments.

How to organize a police department and secure for the community the maximum of police protection at the lowest possible expense, is the principal problem that besets every chief of police during the entire period of his incumbency, and is of vital interest to the law-abiding members of society. This, too, is a question that can best be answered by men actively engaged in serving the public, who have intimate knowledge of what other police departments are doing, who know how to profit from others' experience, who have studied their own local situation and who utilize the human power and equipment under their command to the best of their ability in protecting lives and property and preserving the peace. Here in this convention an opportunity is afforded to express an outline embodying the knowledge, wisdom and experience of our members. Such an outline would serve as a guide or standard for every city, modified as may be necessary to meet local conditions.

Much thought has been given to the methods now in vogue for selecting applicants for positions on the force. Few departments have the same standard of mental, physical, moral and educational qualifications. Moreover, no provision has been made in any of the examinations for the specialists, such as stenographers, filing clerks, typists, photographers, identification and handwriting experts, and other skilled professionals, now regarded as indispensable in modern police organizations. Incidentally, any person desiring to enter the service, regardless of his special ability, is obliged to start at the bottom and work his way up through promotional examinations. There are many who share the opinion that this method of recruiting a police department is wholly inadequate, and largely responsible for existing weaknesses. Our work in the community is much

more important than is generally believed by the public, and experience has taught us that only the very best human material can render the type of service demanded. We cannot induce specialists to enter our ranks unless our present recruiting system is changed. Obviously, here is a field of endeavor that deserves early attention by police executives. While on the subject, a word should be said about policewomen. Wherever their duties have been carefully defined, and the right type of women selected the policewoman has proved her value to the department and the community. However, their activities have been limited to handling delinquents after an overt act has been committed, and the supervision of questionable resorts. There remains the vast field of pre-delinquency which should be covered by women and which has not, as yet, been touched. This field offers rare opportunities for the most practical preventive police work.

Assume that it would be possible through examinations to skim the cream of society, and select applicants, male and female, who were especially qualified for the very highest standards of police service, there remains the necessity for intensive preliminary training before we dare entrust to recruits the responsibilities of a police officer. After assignment their training in practical police work should continue at regular intervals as long as they remain on the force. Not only does such training improve the members as individuals but it also promotes better team work, and improves the morale of the organization. The subjects considered desirable may vary slightly in different communities, but the fundamentals in the police school curriculum should be identical in all departments. When we have reached a point where the best people in society are selected for police service, there will be little confusion regarding the duties of the members. Meanwhile, during the process of evolution, we shall be obliged to study and analyze the different positions on the force, define the duties of each carefully, and thus avoid as far as possible the unceasing conflicts occurring in all departments, occasioned by loosely drawn rules governing the activities of the rank and file.

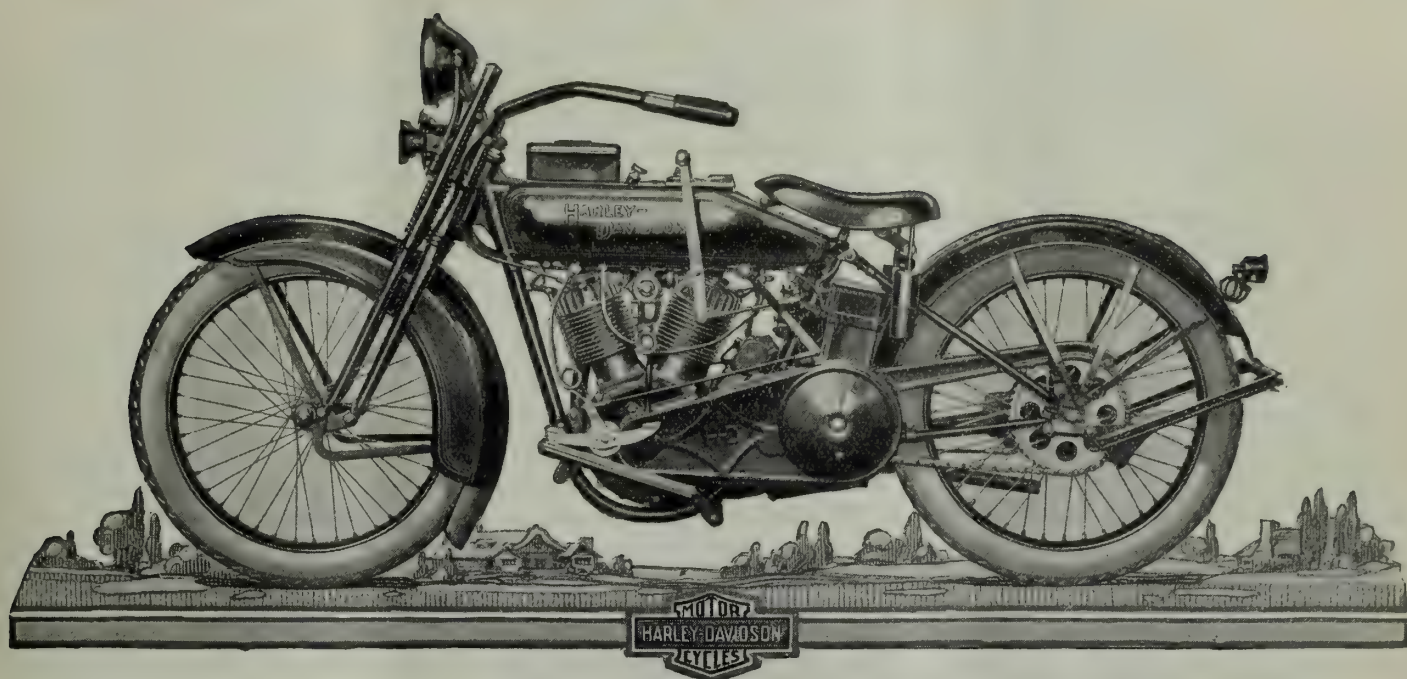
Modern equipment, such as signal devices, wireless telephony and telegraphy, automobiles, motorcycles, bicycles, motorboats, gas bombs, traffic devices, signs and towers, and laboratory apparatus, is indispensable in an up-to-date department. No longer can we hope to compete with criminals of today unless we discard antiquated and obsolete equipment and strengthen our force with the recognized and desirable tools of our profession. The criminal uses every new invention and is usually a league in advance of the police, because of that fact. We must give more attention in the future

to new contrivances, and quickly seize and utilize in police departments, every instrument, device or appliance which may be helpful in defending the public against the anti-social. No time must be lost in adopting new equipment or discarding the old when it has outlived its usefulness. Blindly following the old trail in wornout shoes is foolish economy and makes the policeman ridiculous in the eyes of the criminal and provides excellent material for the funny papers and movie comedies. We must be prepared to meet the criminal with better tools and better brains than he possesses, if we hope to command the respect of the community that we serve.

Every department will profit if this organization will devote some time toward devising practical methods for the solution of some of our important police problems, such for example, as the corruption of the police, prostitution, gambling, illicit sale and use of drugs, traffic, accident prevention, and the elimination of dishonest jurists, lawyers, bail bond brokers and corrupting politicians. These problems are common to all, and if properly and intensively studied, we will find the means to overcome them with the aid of the public. But the public should be honestly informed and this information must come from the police.

"He has always had a good home." "I can't understand why he did it." "I never thought that I would live to see my boy behind the bars." "What can be wrong with him?" "He is the last man that I ever expected would commit such a crime." These and hundreds of similar expressions are of daily occurrence in every police station. The parents struggle to recall some bump on the head that the offender received as a child. Friends explain the departure from rectitude by disappointment in love or business. The public can furnish a thousand different reasons for the crooked act, but the wise policeman is silent, ventures no opinion, knowing that every factor in the delinquent's heredity and environment can be given for the individual's failure to conform to the rules made to govern our conduct. Prevention of crime is our principal function, and we must be thoroughly informed regarding all the causes underlying delinquency before we can ever hope to reduce the number of crimes that are committed annually. Merely arresting the offender and sending him to jail is like pouring water into a sieve. The time thus expended is largely wasted, if census statistics are reliable. Common sense teaches us that the time to begin crime prevention is in the formative part of the child's life, and in many cases, even before that period. Hence most of our energies should be conserved for effort in that direction. Human beings are not exempt from biological laws and the increase of insanity, feeble-mindedness, epilepsy, degeneracy, prostitution and

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CULTIVATE THE PEOPLE ON YOUR BEAT

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be added, for the benefit of the public at large, the slogan: "Get together with the officer on the beat and learn to know him. Greet him. Give him a cheer. He's not a stranger to you. He's your friend."

For as interested as Chief O'Brien is in educating the policeman, to cultivate the public, so much more anxious is he to educate the public into cultivating the friendly spirit with the police.

Chief O'Brien wants the kiddies to learn to rely upon that robust, broad shouldered big brother in blue, and flock to him that they might be guided safely across the busy street, instead of shying clear of the star and brass buttons. The chief wants the old folks to learn not to hesitate at asking the man in uniform to help them over the busy crossing, and the stranger to have no qualms about asking the direction which has confused him.

Moreover, Chief O'Brien charges the public with the responsibility of getting the "trouble call into headquarters as quickly as they see it.

When there's trouble it's the duty of the public to "hit the phone."

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With that number one can get in touch with every police station or police bureau as well as any emergency hospital and can be assured of quick service.

Chief O'Brien believes that every citizen should know in which police district he lives or has his place of business and in telephoning ask for that particular district headquarters or station.

There are ten outside stations attached to the local police department and the boundaries of their police districts or zones are as follows:

Central station, Washington street below Kearny: Bounded on the north by the bay; on the east by the westerly side of Battery street; on the south by the north side of Market street, and on the west by the east side of Leavenworth.

Southern station, 360 Fourth street, the district runs north to Market street; east to First street; south to Sixteenth street, and west to Vermont, Division and Eleventh streets.

Harbor station, Drumm and Commercial streets; district runs to the bay north, south and east and to Battery and First street on the west.

Mission station 3057 Seventeenth street; district runs east to Vermont street; north to Channel and Eleventh streets; and takes in as far as Market street to Duboce avenue; runs west to Buena Vista avenue, Ashbury and Twentieth streets as far as Corbett avenue, and runs south as far as Army street.

Bush street station, 1422 Bush street; district runs north to Broadway; east to Leavenworth

street; south to Market street and west to Steiner street.

Park station, Waller and Stanyan entrance, Golden Gate Park: District runs north to Fulton street; east to Steiner street; south to Duboce avenue, Ashbury street, Twentieth street and Corbett avenue, and west to the beach.

Richmond station, 451 Sixth avenue; district runs north to the Presidio; east to Steiner street; south to Fulton street and west to the beach.

Ingleside station, Balboa Park, San Jose and Ocean avenues; district runs north to Sloat boulevard; east and south to the county line and west to the ocean.

Potrero station, 2300 Third street at Twentieth; district runs north to Sixteenth street, south to the county line, west to Army street and east to Peru avenue.

Bay View station, 1676 Newhall street at Railroad avenue; auxiliary to Potrero station.

North End station, 2453 Lombard street at Scott; district runs north to the bay; east to Leavenworth street; south to Broadway, and west to Lyon street.

TO THE COP

By EVELYN WELLS

Talented Writer of the San Francisco Call

*It's easy to pan a policeman,
Most people do that,
They say he is dead from his chin to his head
Or they say he is fat.
It's easy to pan a policeman
When you're not understanding the game,
But when all's said and done, when in trouble you run
To the cop just the same.*

*At night through the breadth of the city
When danger is thick,
Upon every beat is the tread of his feet
And the rap of his stick,
You snuggle safe down in the pillows
And you know all is safe on the street
While the hours come and go and he walks to and fro
On the unending beat.*

*It's easy to pan a policeman
Sure, it's easy, until
You find out the cop will fight on to the drop
When all others stand still,
Till you find him the one great protection
No danger can jar,
And you'll find you depend to the last bitter end
On the Man with the Star!*

A Layman's View of the Police Department

By JOS. J. TYNAN

THE late Chief of Police of San Francisco, D. Augustus White, was a man loved and respected by the entire personnel of the Police Department as well as the community at large, and when I heard the sad news that he had passed away I wondered, in common with most citizens, if his successor would measure up to him in executive ability.

I knew Dan O'Brien to be fearless, honest, conscientious and energetic, but had no opportunity of forming an opinion of his ability as a leader of men. My own mind has been put at ease on this score. During the few months that he has been at the helm of the Police Department, Chief O'Brien has demonstrated his complete fitness for the post.

As a layman, the average citizen is very desirous of having as little contact with the police he possibly can; indeed it is a very laudable policy—in a restricted sense—and I wish to impress upon the reader that what I am going to say about the Police Department was learned in a very legitimate manner indeed.

During the recent convention of Police Chiefs held in San Francisco, Chief O'Brien was good enough to invite me to accompany his guests upon an inspection of our police facilities. One of the first objects of interest was the City Prison in the rear of the Hall of Justice Building on Kearny Street. If anyone has not already seen this place I would advise him to do so (also in a legitimate manner). Great credit is due the officials of the prison on the way the prison is conducted. It is kept spotlessly clean, the routine and discipline are above reproach and I have heard of only a single jail break in connection with the institution.

The Detective Department, which we next visited, stands out, I believe, as one of the foremost in the country. The apparatus for taking finger prints, etc., the rogues gallery, the lie detector, and other paraphernalia too numerous to mention, are a revelation. But the thing that impressed me most was the long list of criminals actually captured by the men attached to this Bureau. The history of some of these cases would make lurid literature for the small boy and are a wonderful tribute to the resourcefulness of our law maintainers.

The efficiency of our Police Department under Dan O'Brien is manifest when we read the statement by Captain Matheson that the annual winter influx of undesirables of the criminal class is decreasing gradually, so far as San Francisco is concerned. To use his expression "this city is too tough" for them.

The last, but one of the most important, is the Traffic Bureau. The Chief has appointed as head of this most important branch, Captain Henry Gleeson, who during the War organized and headed the protective service of the United States Shipping Board and probably saved the Govern-

ment from great damage to the vessels which were so urgently needed. San Franciscans have noticed how the efficiency of the traffic squad has increased under his jurisdiction until it is now acknowledged to be second to none.

While I congratulate the Chief on what he has accomplished I wish to remind him that he could not have brought the Department to its present excellent standing without the splendid co-operation, not only of his capable staff, but the assistance of every member of the force as well.



JOS. J. TYNAN

Policemen and Police Reporters

By POLICE REPORTERS

There has always been a spirit of good fellowship and co-operation existing between the Police Department and the representatives of the various local newspapers, but since Dan O'Brien became Chief of Police this has become stronger perhaps than ever before.

This is particularly so with the Police Reporters, who are the press representatives of the dailies assigned exclusively to get the police news and make their headquarters at the Hall of Justice.

Most of these reporters through their long association with members of the Police Department have grown to be part of that institution.

There have been occasions when they have stood side by side with the police, in tight places, facing danger. There have been occasions when they have been of invaluable assistance to the police in clearing up mysteries, solving perplexing problems. Is it any wonder, then, that there is such a staunch bond of friendship? What greater means is there of tightening that bond than passing through perils together, men risking their lives, relying on one another and finding each other game?

Some of the greatest recent crimes have been solved through the efforts and assistance of newspaper men and the police have been willing to give them the credit.

When the detective bureau receives a "flash" on a crime just discovered—a murder, for instance—the police reporters rush to the scene with the police detectives. There may be a lifeless body stretched on the floor of some dismal looking shack, a grewsome spectacle. Do the police reporters stand around, pencil and pad in hand and jot down every word that is spoken by the detectives on the case? They do not. They begin at once a systematic search of the premises for some clue, some scrap of evidence which may be the keynote of the whole mystery, just as the detectives do themselves. The long association of these detectives and these newspaper men have made them respect each other for their achievements in their respective professions and for their knowledge of each others professions. The detective respects the reporter for his achievements as a reporter and for the knowledge he has of the detective business. The reporter respects the detective for his achievements and for the knowledge he has of the newspaper business—that is, in knowing the particular points that go to make

a good story. In a word, they get along, and there are few instances to the contrary.

Chief O'Brien has made a practice of taking the police reporters into his confidence on the very points of a case that, if publicity were given, the case would be ruined with the result that in this manner he safeguards those very secretive matters against the fate that might otherwise befall them. There has not been a single instance, Chief O'Brien says himself, where a newspaper man has violated his confidence. The newspapers have always been reliable in extending this courtesy of keeping secret the things that might otherwise ruin a case. It is a clever idea. If Chief O'Brien would keep these things away from the newspaper reporters some one of the profession might run across a strand of information that, if followed, would open to him the whole fund of secretive matter. It would be published. But when Chief O'Brien himself gives out the information with the admonition that it is confidential, the lips of those he tells are sealed and Chief O'Brien rests assured that it will be kept a secret.

Since the passing two years ago of J. Frank Sheridan, veteran Police Reporter of the Bulletin for nearly 30 years, the dean of the Police Department is now John D. "Johnny" O'Brien of the Examiner. "Sherry" as Frank Sheridan was familiarly known, was beloved and revered within the police department. Everyone knew and respected him both as a man and for his ability in his chosen profession.

Johnny O'Brien is a good successor of "Sherry", having served more than a quarter of a century himself on the night watch. Johnny has proved he has "sand" on more than one occasion. Once in particular he accompanied a police officer into a notorious "crook" lodging house on Grant Avenue, then Dupont Street, to "get" a desperate character. Their man they knew, would not be taken without a fight and he was a bad man with a gun. There was the lone officer with no alternative but to do his duty and no chance to get reinforcements. Johnny O'Brien was the officer's sole companion on the occasion. Johnny insisted, against the officer's will, on accompanying him on this errand of peril. They went in, with drawn revolvers. A small tongue of gas-flame flickered in the darkened hallway and outlined forboding shadows. Stealthily, they turned a corner of the hall and there was their man, crouched in wait for them.

The officer and the fugitive locked arms. The struggle was so vigorous that Johnny was unable to use his pistol for fear of killing the officer. The fugitive put the officer's back over a bannister and by sheer strength, freed his pistol hand and dug the muzzle into the officer's abdomen. Johnny was quick to see this move. He seized the fugitive's pistol and yanked it away from the officer's body. There was a shot and Johnny had been wounded in the thigh, but he held on to the fugitive's pistol and succeeded in wrenching it away. By that time, the officer was able to strike the fugitive a crushing blow on the head and the struggle was over. Johnny went to the hospital and lay there for more than six weeks. When he was out again he was presented with a beautiful gold watch by members of the department for his bravery. Johnny is an accomplished pianist and has played accompaniments for some big artists in this city.

James "Jimmy" Yeiser, Day Police Reporter of the Examiner, runs second to O'Brien for long service in this capacity, Jimmy having been on the day job for approximately 15 years. Jimmy's folks tried to make a lawyer out of him and though he graduated from the University of Nebraska with a law degree and was admitted to the bar there, he didn't start practicing. Somewhere he heard that old bit of advice: "Go west, young man, go west." So Jimmy came west ostensibly to put a finer polish on at Stanford University and then he fell. He became a newspaper reporter and it looks mighty like he'll be one for the rest of his days and on the police beat at that. It's safe to say that Jim never will go back to Nebraska and take up that law practice that his family planned for him.

Opie L. Warner, police reporter for the Call, is proud to say that he was born in a little apartment in the rear of a newspaper plant that his father owned. Opie's father and mother were newspaper people and consequently Opie just naturally was born in the business. He ran papers himself in San Bernardino, in Highland and in Arizona, where newspaper editors are printers, printers' devils and everything else and in addition have to carry guns strapped to their hips to be prepared to greet citizens who might not be altogether in sympathy with the editorial policy of their papers. Opie has been on the job at the Hall of Justice for more than twelve years and certainly knows all of the police and crook slang of the age as well as the old ballyhoo speeches of the patent-medicine men of the late "eighties", a profession that Opie, as a boy, seriously contemplated taking up until his mother changed his mind with the side end of a column rule.

When Opie is "covering" sensational murder trials or working on "office tips" his job at the

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Hall of Justice is held down by "Charley" Jacobs, who has served as police reporter on day and night watches for several of the local papers, and wherever else his office assigns him it's a safe bet that Charley's heart is in the Press Room at the Hall of Justice.

Leslie C. Gillen holds the post of day reporter for the Chronicle.

He is distinguished as the handsomest police reporter ever detailed at the Hall of Justice. Mind you, that does not mean that he is so mighty handsome after all. Police reporters never were remarkable for their good looks. However, Gillen, if he were a cop, would be considered of passable appearance.

Gillen is a native son, born right here in San Francisco. Whenever he crosses the bay or passes beyond Daly City he considers that he has taken a trip abroad.

But when it comes to getting news and polishing it off for the press he is equalled by few and excelled by none. He is conscientious as to detail; he is accurate; he is careful not to hurt the feelings of those he writes about; he has respect for confidences that are entrusted to him.

Every group of men should have a champion in the matter of handling affairs that have to do with women. Gillen is the champion ladies man of the press room. Persons sometimes wonder how the faces of so many pretty women prisoners get into the papers. Gillen is the fellow that pulls the trick. He simply talks them into posing in that winning way he has with women.

Some day Gillen will be a lawyer. He is working in that direction. He is still a young man. Some day you will hear of him in a big case before the bar and you may rest assured he will give his client the best that is in him.

Robert "Bob" Burgh, night police reporter for the Chronicle, held that job twenty years ago, then became a country editor, but finally drifted back and here he is again. Bob, despite the fact that he is a police reporter, and that the police reporters are the men upon whom the society editors of the newspapers think are the "rough-necks" of the staff, is a great lover of music and has an enviable knowledge of the opera classics. In fact, once upon a time not long ago the Chronicle's music critic resigned to take up other work and Bob's love for that art prompted him to go to the City Editor and ask for the place.

"Nix! Emphatically and finally—Nix!" said the C. E. "I can get a carload of music critics any time but it's damnedably hard to get real dyed-in-the-wool police reporters. Get back to headquarters and forget the music stuff." Bob is the champion chess player of the profession.

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San Francisco is Colin I. Spangler, better known as "Spang" and sometimes known as "Chemical Two." This latter name he acquired because of the manner in which he gets around, very similar to that of a fire engine. Spang covers the whole town of San Francisco for the Oakland Tribune and never gets scooped. He makes his headquarters at police headquarters and he vows that he is a police reporter above all else.

George A. Jarrett, police reporter for the Daily News is better known to his hundreds of friends as "Jerry" or "Jerry on the Job." Jerry has swung on and off many a patrol wagon and has shot out on many a hurry call. He still talks about Petaluma. Jerry was born here but raised in Petaluma. He began life as a printer on the Petaluma Argus and later took to the editorial end of the business. It's true, he strayed from the profession several times, serving for a tour as drummer in a circus band. He almost managed the art of swallowing swords and eating fire—those freaks of the circus being his closest friend—but the circus hit Petaluma again and Jerry quit and went back home. The only attention he paid to his music from then on was drumming in the Petaluma Municipal Band and singing falsetto tenor in the town quartette. When Les Gillan left the News to become a member of the Chronicle staff, Jerry became Jerry on the Job. Besides jerking news, Jerry's chief hobby is hunting and he's not afraid of anything in the world but a rattlesnake.

The younger members of the "inner circle" of police reporters are Leonard Agazello—"Aggie" and Earl Dodge, police reporters for the Bulletin.

The former began life as an athlete and was considered by training experts to be a wizard of the track until he started smoking cigarettes and staying up to watch the sun rise. Aggie started as a sports writer but it wasn't hard to make a police reporter out of him—that is, after he had toured the United States as advance press agent for the Al. G. Barnes' Circus. Some of Aggie's copy even today savors of the circus press agent.

Earl Dodge was going to be a commercial artist. There was no question about it. But Earl, despite the fact that he is long and very lean, didn't appreciate starving in an attic for his art, so he up and quit before things got that bad. He entered the newspaper game as a combination cartoonist and reporter but soon found the latter end of the business a great deal more fascinating and the police reporting end still more fascinating. Now he's a police reporter and he knows what a "Mug" is, and a "knock-over" and a "hypo" and what a policeman means when he says "I made that mug" and the best of it all is that Earl is eating regular every day and sometimes it looks like it isn't quite as lean as he used to be.

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While giving biographical descriptions of police reporters, this article would not be complete without some mention of the late "Charlie" Bliss. Charlie was a wonderful police reporter and had a most extensive acquaintanceship in the underworld which was of the greatest assistance to him in his work. Charlie was police reporter for several local papers but chiefly for the Chronicle. One of his unique accomplishments was that he knew the location of every box number tapped in by the fire alarm tapper by heart. When Charlie was on the job, his colleagues never looked at the fire box card. They simply asked Charlie.

"Two-seven-two" the fire tapper would tap out with a startling clamor in the dead of night.

"Two seventy-two—that's Seventeenth and Sanchez," Charlie would remark. And it always was.

WE THANK THEM

The editorial office of "Douglas 20" is bounded on one side by the office of P. J. Murray—"Pat Murray" and on the other side by the office of Sergeant Patrick McGee—"Pat" McGee, on the first floor of the Hall of Justice.

Enuff Sed.

Take "Pat" Murray, for instance. "Pat", in his foolish youth was a newspaper reporter in Bridgeport, Conn. Now he's one of Chief O'Brien's invaluable office men who handle business details of the Police Department. To be exact, "Pat" Murray sanctions the paying of the department's bills. Paddy looks 'em over and they better be correct, that's all. But, withal, "Pat's" still a scribe at heart.

Take "Pat" McGee, for instance. Everybody that ever visited the Golden Gate Park up to six months ago remembers the good looking Sergeant on horse back who always had time to stop and tell interesting things about the birds, the animals and the flowers. Indeed Sergeant McGee always had a rare story up his sleeve, a good story about the animals and many a newspaper reporter owes the start he got in that business to the kind indulgence of Sergeant McGee who not only furnished the kind of stories the public fairly devoured but absolutely told how it should be written. Now he's detailed at headquarters on office work.

There you are. Both are frequent visitors in the editorial office of "Douglas 20" and manys the helpful suggestion they make. So, whatever bits of rare Gaelic wit and sound philosophy may be found here and there among the columns of "Douglas 20" the editor is happy to credit the same to his two very good friends, "Pat" Murray and "Pat" McGee.

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Athletics In The Police Department

By DAN P. MAHER, *National Director Industrial Athletic Association*

The subject "Athletics in the Police Department" is an amusing one to me; rather I think it should be "Athletics Out of the Police Department", for being one interested in sports, I cannot help but notice how little our "City's Finest" participate in local sporting activities. How seldom, if ever, does the citizenship of our community have the pleasure of meeting or witnessing our police department perform in a way of amusement or spirit of goodfellowship. Your Annual Ball, is the only means known to the writer, wherein the Police Department cast aside the unpleasant duties of upholding the laws of justice to mingle with the public in general.

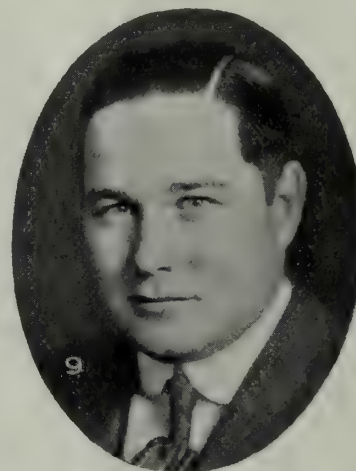
Boys, this should not be: Jump into sports—compete in the manly arts of boxing, track, swimming, basketball, handball and other sports too numerous to mention, in the various tournaments now being conducted by local athletic organizations. It is incidentally a means of building up a greater degree of good will in the community at large.

Talent galore, graces the roster of your Department at present, and it does not take much vision to anticipate the vast numbers that would seek admission to the department when they know it to be a big, happy family instead of a cold law enforcing body that some think it to be. Together with your already strong talent, you have many men deeply interested in sports, who are natural born leaders and organizers. Here I might mention the name of Lieutenant of Police John Casey, whose name is a by-word among athletic institutions of our city, and they seek his advice on matters athletically, continually. You have the leadership, you have the talent, all that remains for a successful athletic association in your department is enthusiasm. Among men, real he men, enthusiasm in sports can be had for the asking.

When you analyze the enormous benefits derived from athletic competition, is there anyone who will dispute the fact, that as a health builder athletics ranks supreme; or, that the citizens of our City will not be taught to regard and respect your Department more and more as your athletic supremacy is achieved.

Today over 50,000 men working in industry in San Francisco are members of the Industrial Ath-

letic Association. 24 baseball teams, 30 basketball clubs, 25 bowling teams are only a few of the hundred odd teams organized to bring men in industry into the realization that "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy". Forty odd local employers, employing these people, and embracing the biggest corporations in the West are unanimous in their praise for athletics in business. The Retail Athletic Association, the Insurance



DAN P. MAHER

League, the Steamship League, Protestant School League, Catholic School League, are only a few of the other new born athletic leagues locally. From this you will see that these are surely days of athletic organizations. The Police Department should profit by the experience of these organizations mentioned above, and in an athletically way help put the Department "on the map" as you have always done in the performance of your duties.

In conclusion it might be of interest for you to know that 17 athletic organizations, comprising a membership of 150,000 San Franciscans have started a campaign to have the City's Fathers erect an enormous Civic Gymnasium and Swimming Pool, to be under the supervision of the Playground Commission. This would enable all to enjoy a much needed want in our fair city. That should prove a valuable asset to the Police Department membership is a foregone conclusion for it would afford an excellent means of our "City's Finest" to display their athletic wares.

Taking a Good Man's Advice



Flirting With Death

By FRED V. WILLIAMS, *Feature Writer for the News Who Has Done More Stunt Stories Than Any Newspaper man in the city, among them doing Police Duty with the Local Department*



FRED V. WILLIAMS

Into the life of every newspaperman comes a thrill that lasts in his memory for a life time.

It may come early in his career or it may come late. In mine it came comparatively early.

There have been many things since that have made my hair stand on end, but none that equaled this in dread intensity.

Little more than ten years ago I was "covering" the "police beat" for the Los Angeles Herald. I was then somewhat of a stripling in the game. The regular man, of Opie Warner or Frank Sheridan type of reporter, was off duty and the city editor sent me to take his place.

I sat in the police reporters' room wide eyed with wonder. And watched with secret admiration and some envy the easy familiarity that existed among the older reporters and the police and detectives.

Chas. Sebastian was then chief of the Los Angeles police department. He was a great favorite with the newspapermen. Not long before he had been a sergeant of the Chinatown squad. And the fast friends he made among the reporters then had no small part in the making of him chief.

We were lounging about the press room. There was "nothing doing on police." I was disappointed. Here I was. Assigned in the center of things. And denied the opportunity to participate in them. When—

Sebastian stepped in. He was smiling.

"Gentlemen," he said, addressing the newspapermen. "Gentlemen you are standing on the threshold of eternity. Prepare to meet your God."

The reporters laughed. Sebastian no longer smiled. His face was grave. And white.

"Go into my office," he said. "See what you think of it. It may be a joke. And it may not. I can't tell."

The chief was not joking. I followed the older men into the chief's office. An ante room separated it from the hall. There we found several officers and detectives had preceded us. They were grouped in the corner? Young, with little caution, I pushed forward and past them and

found myself standing in front of a man sitting on a chair.

At first I hardly recognized him as a human being. He seemed dwarfed and bent over a box that he held on his lap. He wore a mask with green goggles for eyes. Tufts of yellow, false hair were thrust from beneath a cap that was clapped tight on the back of his head.

I wanted to laugh. But the men around me did not laugh. So I checked my mirth. The man was speaking. I listened.

"If I let go the string we all go up," he said. "So it's no use to hit me or play any tricks on me. There's enough dynamite in this box to tear the whole block to h—ll."

I stared at the box. For the first time I noticed it had a glass front. And there, revealed to all, were neat rows of dynamite sticks.

The man went on to explain the mechanism of his infernal machine and then he added stubbornly.

"I want to see the chief of police." Turning suddenly to a gold braided individual who had just pushed into line out of curiosity he exclaimed:

"Are you the chief of police?"

"No," stuttered the dignitary. "Wait a minute. I'll go get him."

"No you don't," retorted the stranger. You or any one don't leave this room. You all stay here. If any man attempts to leave this room I'll blow us all to h—!!!"

Not only the high official, but the rest of us looked most miserable and unhappy. I looked around. The room was jammed to suffocation. About three tons of perspiring, uniformed police, red faced and puffing were crammed in the chamber. And they couldn't get out if they wanted to. At least those in the front couldn't.

One and all had entered through a narrow door. That door, I afterward learned, was blocked from the hall by a mob of cops outside. Those inside were prisoners.

I was in the front rank. The jam, the pressure from behind was so great that those of us in this first line were pushed forward, inch by inch until we almost touched the maniac and his infernal machine.

All the while the crank kept up a running fire of conversation with the police about him. And they, trying to stay the hand of death, answered him good humoredly.

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Covering All The Beats

Frequently a policeman gets a chance to show what kind of sand the Lord uses when He made him. And just as frequently the policeman gets little or no credit for his act of bravery because he is a policeman and most of our citizens figure "that's what he gets paid for!"

"Douglas 20" doesn't look at it that way at all. Life and limb is just as dear to the policeman and to the wife and kiddies of the policeman as to everyone else. Hence, we hail Policeman Jim Keane of the Mission Station a hero and mince no words about it. The other day "Jim" assisted in rescuing a lineman for the Great Western Power company, from eletrocution. The unfortunate fellow fell across a charged cable while working on a pole at Seventeenth and Valencia streets. He became temporarily deranged and fought off his rescuers for several moments. Jim Keane and two firemen finally were able to save him but only at the risk of their own lives. We hope the lineman finds out who saved him.

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Traffic officers take notice!

"Wild Bill" Zocchi, the chief's messenger, is a policeman and a pony express all in one. He runs on a schedule just like the Municipal Railway in one of Henry Ford's products and his mileage in the last couple of years has been equal almost to the circumference of the earth. Hot dawg! How that boy can punish a flivver. But what we want to do is use our influence with the traffic officers. Listen! As a favor to the chief, to Bill and to us, whenever you see him coming, give him the whistle, will yuh?

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Lieutenant John Fitzhenry, loved by every member of the police department and who has endeared himself with every person who comes into his complaint department is considered the best authority on extradition laws, how to get out extradition papers and how to prevent a criminal from beating extradition, that there is in the city, barring neither lawyers or judges.

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Lots of folks visiting the city and passing through the Ferry Building upon spying Lieutenant Stephen Bunner off duty think he is John Barrymore, though we must admit the lieutenant has it on Barrymore both as to age and looks.

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Emil Hearne is one of the very few policemen of his race who can understand the Italian language.

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Captain John J. O'Meara has more hospitals in his district than any captain of the department.

The boys around headquarters certainly were ticked when Detetctive Ernest Gable, shot last August by Walter Castor showed up with a smile on his face, and a lot of nerve. While it will be some time before his doctor will allow him to go to work again with the department, he is mighty welcomed around the hall.

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Motorcycle Officer A. E. Schmidt says that if he took all the automobiles that were offered to him if "that old can can do 30 miles," he would have to hire the Panhandle to park them.

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The origin of the tabooed word "cop" is not clear but we heard this one that we pass along as a good explanation. In the old countries a policeman was called constable of police and some gent with a desire of saving energy cut it down to the initials, "C-O-P."

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Patrolman Warren "Peggy" Phillips, who has been detailed to kill all the rodents in Golden Gate Park, says that he killed another hawk the other day, but Harry Crowley says that "Peggy" has been bringing that same old hawk to the station for three years.

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Patrolman Fred Kracke, of the Park station was consigned to his home a few days this month as a result of a painful accident that befell him while trying to get his share out of a can of peas. A piece of tin that the canner forgot to take out of the can lodged in Fred's throat and he had to be rushed to the Park Hospital post haste.

"Bill" Danahy says that Fred was out with the goats in the park trying to learn their system of keeping down the "high cost of living," but Fred says that "it's no joke," and he don't see why Bill wants to talk like that about him for.

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We guess that there is a lot of the well known Hamburger steak being served in the home of Captain Harry O'Day these days, 'cause the Cap says that what with all the strikes and everything, he hasn't time to chew real food any more.

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The Chief says that he is the boss of the best police department in the world. Well, we ain't saying he ain't.

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The best chief of police in the world.
We ain't saying he ain't.

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Mayor Rolph is an honorary member of the San Francisco Police Department, and of the New York department.

Lieutenant Clifford Field reported in at the detective bureau several shifts after he got his new assignment on being made a lieutenant. He had been doing a dog watch in charge of the detective bureau at night so long that it was a tough one for him to keep away when reporting on time came. He is now getting familiar with all the streets out in the Protrero district and can tell a cabbage from a cauliflower.

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Captain of Detectives Matheson says, "there are too many silk shirts and not enough overalls; too many apartment houses and not enough cradles among the young folks of today.

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Officer Gilbert Chase, attached to the Property Clerk's office is probably the best culinary artist in the department. He has become famous for his "mulligans."

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Captain Eugene Wall of the Ingleside station is the cauliflower expert of the department. He can spot one of them farther than any one in his district.

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The newest captain of the department is Fred Lemon. He was elevated to a captaincy a few weeks ago, after serving several months as acting captain at the North End station.

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Captain Marcus Anderson of the Part district has to sort of be game warden as well as peace officer. Many are the gents who have longing eyes upon the ducks, geese and such fowl of the water as well as the rabbit and quail of the land.

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Motorcycle Officer Draper Hand says trying to make Fell and Oak Street safe for pedestrians from automobiles is a job that is putting gray hairs in his head. He has to wear an eyebrow moustache to keep down the resistance he meets in chasing the speeder.

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Sergeant "Cy" Lance out at the Bush station is an orator that always gets a big hands when he orates.

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Motorcycle Officer Jim Mackey, Jr., says its a toss up as to who tries to go the fastest, the autoist getting out of town or those coming in. He watches the boys out on the Mission road.

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November 5th, the police base ball team was defeated by the Levi-Strauss team at Recreation Park. The score was 4-1. The brass button boys are just starting out. They will do better in a few more games and the department will have every reason to be proud of them. The team is made up of Desmond cf, Iredale 2b, Hanley, 1b, Finnigan 3b, Olsen lf, Ward ss, Corrigan rf, Zanach, c, Manouck, p, Golderson, p.

Captain Patrick Herlihy of the Harbor district while having one of the busiest districts during the day time has the quietest at night.

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During the vacation last month of Chief O'Brien, Captain John J. Mooney of the Richmond district, ranking captain of the department, was acting chief of police. The chief with his wife and son Dan spent two weeks in Los Angeles with the chief's son George who has within a year become a star in the movie world. They made the trip by auto and with George visited all points of interest in Southern California. But the chief said he was glad to get back to the city he loves and Captain Mooney said he was glad the chief got back.

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"The Stop Watch Speed Cop" is the name the speed burners along Van Ness Avenue have hung on Traffic Officer Patrick Mahoney. Pat has every foot of Van Ness measured and knows the distance from every corner and manhole along the avenue, and when he takes his place behind a telegraph pole he has the distance and speed on the hasty lads so that there is no comeback. When he gives the "goers" the whistle they sure do look silly when they locate the source of the signal. If they try to make a getaway Pat is on their trail in a high powered automobile.

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Ed Pidgeon, mounted officer along the ocean beach has been out in this district so long he knows every wave of the Pacific Ocean as far out as his horse can swim.

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Captain Fred Lemon is the newest officer appointed to that rank. While he may be the baby captain as far as service is concerned he is one of the biggest men in the department.

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Mounted officer Arthur Dolan on duty from the Cliff House south, says he is always glad when winter comes as the cold water sort of discourages suicides. Dolan has probably with the assistance of his trusty horse saved more people from a watery grave than any officer on the coast, he and Ed. Pidgeon sharing the honors.

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Sergeant Jack Annear is conceded one of the champion checker players of the police department.

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So far as we can learn there is not a policeman in San Francisco who can play a saxophone, but some of them can play a mean game of pinochle.

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Detective James Cottle is an expert on bugs, not the kind the State hospitals for the insane are filled with, but the kind that get in your grub when you are camping out. He knows 'em all by their regular names and the long monikers hung on them by the gents who discovered them.

Captain William Quinn, beside being chief clerk to the chief is the supervisor of the boxing game. He is the one who has the final say as to who shall box. The captain used to be handy with the mitts himself and none of the budding champs slip anything over on him. He is endeavoring to keep the game clean and keep the professional out.

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The members of the department will be glad to know that Sergeant John Caples for years investigator of sick reports who was dangerously ill was able to be out of the house during the past few weeks.

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Secretary of the Police Commission Charles F. Skelly is recognized as one of the best authorities on dahlias in the city. He produces some fine specimens of this beautiful flower out at his home.

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Becoming desirous of tackling the duties of a lieutenant in the district, Lieutenant Jack Casey has asked for and was given a transfer from the license bureau to the Central district. He has for several years efficiently looked after the affairs of the license bureau. He says he likes the night shift for a change.

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The cartoon "Taking a Good Man's Advice" appearing in this issue was drawn especially for Douglas 20 by Earl Dodge, police reporter for The Bulletin.

MORE MOTOR PATROLS

Realizing the necessity for the utmost police protection for Golden Gate Park, the play ground of the bay cities, Chief of Police Daniel O'Brien has added a new patrol to the park. He has assigned an armored car to continually patrol every drive from Stanyon Street to the beach, during the night time. This car will contain two or more men with the driver, armed with shotguns, and as an added precaution to the regular patrolling of the park the Chief says it will be as safe to walk through the park at night as it is in the day time.

With new motor equipment secured during the past year high powered cars have been assigned to duty in the Richmond, Twin Peaks Tunnel section and through the Ingleside District.

The chief hopes one of these days to have the red light street signal system installed whereby in an instant every policeman on duty in the city will be apprised that a crime has been committed and will get to the nearest box as fast as possible to get the details.

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Women Protective Officers

What does a policewoman look like anyway? What does she do in the line of police duty, who is she and how does she happen to get into such a business?

Alas, these are only a few of the questions that the outsiders, those not "in the know" ask about the policewoman, who is fast becoming an invaluable asset and institution in every police department in the United States.

Such an air of mystery envelopes the policewoman.

Does a policewoman look like the burley caricaturish type of policemen that we see in the movies, towering above the six foot level, four feet wide, two feet thick, with shoes that Cinderella couldn't keep on, but wearing a skirt instead of uniform trousers, and able to lick six men of the proportions of Jack Dempsey at the same time.

Or, is the policewoman the same sort of a character as the heroine of the summer fiction magazine, a raving beauty with all the scenery of a society debutante, who enters the drawing room during the season's biggest reception at the Vanderbilt mansion, smiles sweetly at "Slippery Sam," the dip, and just when he begins to fall for her to the extent of offering to split the swag, flashes a cute little silver star, sticks a sweet little pear-handled gat in his mug and gets him dead to rights?

Alas, these are only a few of the many ideas the outsiders have of what policewomen might be like, but again, alas, neither of these guesses are very correct. There's a lot more to the business of being a policewoman.

San Francisco's police department has three policewomen, with whom the writer is personally acquainted, and of these three he will endeavor to tell so as to put the outsider right.

San Francisco's three policewomen are Mrs. Katherine O'Connor, Mrs. Kathlyn Sullivan and Mrs. Katheryene Eisenhart. The trio are mild-mannered, matronly looking women with personalities seasoned with charm, not at all like what the outsider might think a policewoman looks like. Yet they are typical policewomen.

Mrs. O'Connor is not only the mother of two grown sons and a married daughter, but a grandmother. Yet, withal, she is a young and active woman, with a keen head for detective work, brave, daring, still not without tenderness.

Mrs. Sullivan, true to her name and nationality, good humored, humorous, a wit. She has brains, as men often bluntly describe women, and as a conversationist, is the sort of a person one could

pass a pleasant hour with. She has the knack of guessing what people are going to do and what they are thinking of and interrupts her conversation to voice her guess. She is particularly comforting to those who are in trouble, whether it be a girl who has stepped over the borderline of good and bad, or a distracted parent drawn with anxiety over the disappearance of a daughter.

Mrs. Eisenhart is quick and nervous in her movements, yet her work is precise and her judgment good. She laughs in a manner that disarms the suspicious. She tells those that have done wrong that she knows that they have, yet without being too brusque about it.

In a word, they are fine women, just the type for the work to be done and none better could be found, it is safe to say. Mrs. O'Connor's late husband was for years attached to the sheriff's office. Mrs. O'Connor became interested in social work around the police courts, and, when the character so provided, took the examination and became a policewoman.

Mrs. Sullivan's father was the late Detective Sergeant Thomas Ryan, a brainy man and beloved veteran of the police department. Against his will—but he later forgave her—she became a policewoman and he could not conceal the fact that he was proud of her after all.

Mrs. Eisenhart had been interested as a social worker in the local courts and she just naturally entered the work to which she was adept.

Policewomen Bring Results

Thus, the San Francisco Police Department annexed three women to its staff of sleuths. The Women Protective Officers are under command of the Captain of Detectives. They have their broken hours, Sunday and night work and all the other inconveniences that the men in the detective bureau have. Their work is very similar yet peculiarly different to the work done by the male sleuths. But one can vouch that their work is just as hard and at times just as dangerous as the men's and that they invariably bring satisfactory results.

They are particularly necessary where girls and women are in trouble because such unfortunates are much more willing to confide in one of their own sex. Where women are important witnesses in those disagreeable cases which often are threshed out in the local criminal courts, one of the three policewomen are detailed as the constant companion of such women and the result is that their moral courage is bolstered up and they can go on with what is expected of them.

Deserted families, poverty-stricken families, unmarried mothers—all of these pitiful cases with which the police so frequently are confronted and which are so difficult to handle properly and justly, are given to the protective officers. They know just how to go about everything in this line, it seems, and can always find a home, find a place, find something that is woefully needed.

Depressing as these sordid little tragedies of life are, the business of being a policewoman would be pleasant and easy if this was all there was to it. There is a great deal more. The policewoman is often called upon to do things that most men would prefer a chance to deliberate upon before acting.

Several years ago automobile bandits were a menace to motorists who chose to drive out to Golden Gate Park, stop in some pleasant byway and star-gaze and spoon in their machines. There were a score of robberies, the holdup men coming upon such spooning parties, flourishing wicked looking revolvers and relieving the spooners of their valuables.

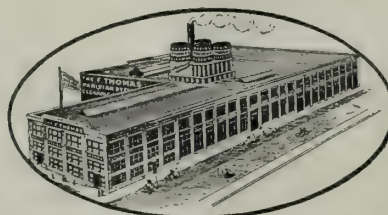
The chief determined to make an effort to trap this type of bandit and the policewomen were pressed into service. The plan was that each policewoman, accompanied by a detective, would drive in an automobile out to some lonely part of Golden Gate Park, stop the machine and sit there with the lights out like the spooning parties that were the prey of the bandits. Night after night for nearly two months this performance was kept up, the policewomen and the detectives accompanying them sitting in machines in different parts of the park, revolvers in hand, waiting for bandits to come and hold them up. For some strange reason these holdups ceased after the policewoman detail was put on and the feminine members of the force did not get a chance to try their pistol eye and pistol hand. But this is cited as an illustration of the sort of work policewomen are called upon to do.

Policewoman O'Connor has been fortunate enough to work on and accomplish remarkable things in some of the most sensational cases of recent years. She was with Detectives Miles Jackson and Lester Dorman when they were shot and killed with Sheriff Petray of Sonoma county at Santa Rosa during the "gangster" cases. She took a prominent part in the Inez Reed murder case in San Mateo, and the Sarah Satira Coburn murder case of Pescadero.

She is not alone, however, in experiencing things that make the blood run cold and the hair stand on end. Policewoman Sullivan once sat in a clairvoyant seance and when the medium had cast her spell and the spirit of George Washington was present and talking, she deliberately turned a pocket flashlight on and broke up the meeting. Chairs were thrown, the duped ones shouted

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"Fake!" and the medium and her cappers cursed the policewoman, but she got out safe and happy in the knowledge that she had exposed the clairvoyant outfit. On another occasion, however, she sported a black eye, the gift of a couple of thugs from whom she had rescued a kidnapped girl.

Policewoman Eisenhart still remembers the time she and Detective William O'Brien went to rescue a girl being held prisoner on the third floor of a dingy lodging house in the North Beach district. They entered a room which appeared to be empty but from behind the door two men leaped upon O'Brien from the rear and bore him to the floor. They struggled to wrench his pistol from his grasp but O'Brien held on, shouting to his woman companion to go out and get reinforcements. At this, one of the assailants struck her a blow and knocked her down the long flight of stairs. Free of one of his assailants for an instant, O'Brien was able to knock the other senseless with a blow on the head and then the odds were fairer to face. O'Brien easily subdued the other, handcuffed the pair and "took them in." The surprise attack resulted however in Policewoman Eisenhart suffering injuries which kept her confined to a bed in a hospital for more than a month and O'Brien's souvenir was a broken nose.

This will give the outsider just a casual idea of the brand of policewomen of which the San Francisco Police Department boasts. They are not coarse and mannish, yet, neither are they the clinging vine type. They are ladies, first of all, and they are courageous, brainy women. They are a happy medium. They are real POLICE-WOMEN!

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Details in The Detective Bureau

Owing to the ever increasing problems that confront the police department of a growing city, new methods of meeting these problems have been devised. Especially is this true in the detective bureau, which is supervised by Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson.

Ten years ago there were but three or four details under his jurisdiction. Now there is more than a half a dozen. Principal among these is the automobile detail.

AUTOMOBILE DETAIL

Sergeant Arthur McQuaide is in command of this body, comprising beside himself a clerk and ten picked men.

The duties of this detail are varied. The members handle all stolen automobile cases, act as convoys for payrolls for big industrial and manufacturing plants and banks; keep an all night shotgun patrol of the city, riding in specially armored automobiles, and the work of the members has attracted attention throughout the country. Especially among automobile insurance companies and citizens who go out on the street to take a ride and find their car gone have they made a hit.

Four years ago when Sergeant McQuaide took charge he had six men. That was in 1918. During that time up to the present year the detail has recovered 5,157 stolen automobiles out of 5,314 reported stolen. Leaving 157 unrecovered, a record for any large city to shoot at.

The detail is composed of:

William Gillmore, clerk; Nicholas Barron, James Pearl, Peter J. Hughes, Corporal Michael Mitchell, John Cannon, George Wall, William Milliken, Gus Tompkins, Corporal Dullea and Phillip Lyndecker.

PAWNSHOP DETAIL

Probably one of the most important of the details of the detective bureau is the pawnshop detail. This detail has to deal with the second hand stores, the pawnshops, and second hand furniture stores and such businesses.

Lieutenant Henry Powell is in charge of the pawnshop detail of the San Francisco Police Department, and has merged with it the shopping detail. His personnel of men is made up of the following:

Sergeant Jeremiah F. Dinan, Detective Sergeant James J. Regan, Corporal John J. Callaghan, Detective A. B. Reihl, Detective George Hippely, Detective George Stallard, and Officer George T.

O'Brien as keeper of records. Detective Sergeant Andrew J. Gaughran and Detective William H. Harrison are the members assigned to the shopping district.

Through the efforts of this detail a check is kept on all concerns that deal in second hand articles or conduct a loan business and through this work many articles stolen are recovered.

The activity of the men composing the squad under Lieutenant Powell can be gathered by the fact that during the fiscal year ending last June 30, these men recovered \$106,645.80, but a few thousand dollars less than the amount of lost property given them to investigate and recover.

In this office a complete record is kept of all articles pawned, numbers on jewelry, watches and other articles as well as any identification marks and though it takes months some time to get trace of a stolen article when it does show up the detail makes but short work in checking it up and making a recovery.

This detail has also rendered great service to outside cities by the system employed and many thousands of dollars worth of loot is recovered each year for other police departments. With proper descriptions from outside cities a check is made and it is a simple matter to locate the articles if they have been brought to this city.

ROBBERY DETAIL

A detail small in number but mighty powerful in results is the combination made up of Sergeant George McLaughlin and Sergeant Leo Bunner, and known as the "Robbery Detail."

During the three years this duo have been working principally on robbery cases they have captured over 200 criminals, among some of the most desperate of the country, and they have recovered loot totaling thousands of dollars.

Principally among the captures this duet has made was the notorious Ledterman gang. Frank Ledterman a daring and brutal crook robbed the Hadley mansion out near the fair grounds and mistreated the Hadleys in a manner that made one's blood boil. The entire gang was captured by McLaughlin and Bunner and are over in San Quentin doing life.

Bunner and McLaughlin have also participated in many noted murder cases and have assisted in working out some other crimes not in their particular line.

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Widows' and Orphans' Association

One of the largest, best managed and most worthy organizations of its kind in the United states is the Widows' and Orphan's Aid Association of the San Francisco police department.

It is composed entirely of a membership of active and retired officers of the San Francisco police department and its purpose is to render financial aid to the widows and orphans or other dependents or beneficiaries of police officers.

It is an independent insurance company, benevolent society and fraternity rolled into one, and whatever other expected source of aid might fail the widow, orphan or dependent of a member they know well that the Widows' and Orphans' Aid Association of the police department never will fail.

This worthy organization, which has been in existence for more than twenty years, each year paying its grim charitable dividend to one or several of its departed members' survivors, has at the present time a membership of 1,158.

Of this number, 44 are new members who have joined the ranks this year.

During the year of 1922, thus far advanced, the association has paid benefits to the families of exactly 18 departed members, each benefit amounting to the regular sum of \$1500.

The premium for this reliable insurance is one dollar per month or twelve dollars per year.

This trifling sum is hardly missed even from the modest salary of a policeman. One dollar per month, but how well it is invested! How comfortable it is for the dutiful and conscientious policeman—father or husband—to know that whenever the Grim Reaper cuts him down that his little family will be aided to that extent—\$1500—at least.

The officers of the association are ten in number, elected annually by a vote of the membership.

Frequently, certain officers, through their devotedness to the organization, are retained year in and year out as in the cases of Detective David Murphy, treasurer, Patrolman James W. Boyle, financial secretary, and Officer George F. Kopman, recording secretary.

This year's board of officers of the association are the following:

President, James Kelly, retired captain; vice president, Officer William C. Gilmore; treasurer, Detective David Murphy; recording secretary, Officer George F. Kopman; financial secretary, Officer James W. Boyle.

Trustees: Gilbert P. Chase, James L. McDermott, J. Griffith Kennedy, John F. Ryan, Thomas P. Gibbons.

These officers will have filled their terms at the

end of the year. Prior to that, to be exact, on November 10, nominations of candidates for the various offices for the coming year will be made and on December 8, the annual election will be held.

For those of the present staff of officers who will retire after the December election, for those who will retain their places and for those who have served in similar capacities in the past, the highest praise is due, for the association, since it was founded, has always been blessed with most devoted and honorable officers.

More than this, the association has fortunately had its destinies guided by keen business heads, with the gratifying result that the financial resources of the organization have been built up to meet demand in assets and the affairs have been discharged with a precision creditable to any well organized private corporation.

The story of the success of the Widows' and Orphans' Aid Association is best told by the following figures:

Receipts and Disbursements

Financial Secretary James W. Boyle reported as follows:

Receipts—Total amount of dues collected from members for the month of August, 1922, \$1,020.00.

August 7, 1922—Received a donation from Mr. Isaac M. Feldman, No. 1350 Ellis street, San Francisco, California, \$5.00

August 11, 1922—Received a donation from Pauline Hart, No. 1804 Leavenworth street, San Francisco, California, for service rendered by the police department in recovering her bracelet, \$2.50.

Total amount of receipts for the month of August, 1922, \$1,027.50.

Disbursements

August 1, 1922—Paid for the purchase of postage stamps used by the financial secretary, \$1.00.

August 15, 1922—Paid the death benefit in full of deceased Brother John J. Mullin, to his four sons, Raymond J. Mullin, Ward J. Mullin, John J. Mullin Jr., and Leslie E. Mullin, share and share alike, \$1,500.00.

August 31, 1922—Paid for the purchase of postage stamps used by the recording secretary, \$1.00.

August 31, 1922—Paid salary of Treasurer David Murphy for the month of August, 1922, \$12.50.

August 31, 1922—Paid salary of Recording Secretary George F. Kopman for the month of August, 1922, \$12.50.

August 31, 1922—Paid salary of Financial Secretary James W. Boyle for the month of August, 1922, \$12.50.

Total amount of disbursements for the month of August, 1922, \$1,539.50.

Total amount of dues collected from members, from January 13, 1922, to August 31, 1922, (inclusive), \$9,690.00.

Total amount of donations received from January 13, 1922, to August 31, 1922 (inclusive), \$1,109.90.

Total amount of disbursements made from January 13, 1922 to August 31, 1922 (inclusive), \$18,494.65.

New Members Elected to the Membership of the Association

The applications of the following named police officers from the companies hereinafter set forth, were received and read by the recording secretray:

Sydney J. Desmond, company F; Martin F. Brennan, company G; Richard A. Smith, company H; Valentine McDonnell, company I; Charles B. Olson, company I; George Stallard, detective bureau.

Present membership of the association, 1,158; new members admitted to the society during the year 1922, 44; number of deaths during the year 1922, 18; number of expulsions during the present year, none.

CORPORAL MICHAEL RIORDAN TO LICENSE BUREAU

Corporal Michael Riordan was last month transferred from the General Office to the License Bureau.

For over two years Corporal Riordan has had charge of the general office and has made a splendid record. It is not stretching the imagination to say that he will make as good a success in the new place he finds himself.

An officer of pleasing personality, with a ready understanding of accounting, details of the police department from all angles, he has in addition much ability as a shorthand reporter and fits ideally into the splendid departmental organization built up by the chief.

In addition to the above qualifications Corporal Riordan has a license to practice law, having devoted his spare hours to the study and passing with a high percentage some two years ago.

With this experience in the police department, and his accomplishments which he has attained by utilizing his spare time it is predicted that when he does take up law practice he will make a success from the start.

Douglas 20 certainly wishes him the best there is whether he stays in "the game" or branches out as an attorney.



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Handwriting and Crime

By CARL EISENSCHIMEL, Attached to Detective Bureau San Francisco Police Department—Address Given Before International Chiefs

Distinguished Chiefs and Guests:

I am flattered at the remarks of your illustrious Chairman in introducing me before this famous National Convention assembled on the Pacific Coast in our fair city of St. Francis, and I feel highly complimented that our own efficient Police Department has utilized my 45 years of experience in the study and practice of handwriting in requesting me to give you a short address on my specialty.

Odd Ways Questioned Papers Are Submitted to Police Department

A suggestion: At the time of the arrest of a suspected forger, it is imperative that sample of his handwriting be obtained. He should be required to write on the prison signature book the date of arrest, address, including numerals and street.

All requests for extras, such as tobacco, special meals, articles of clothing and other privileges, should be in writing, and placed on file by the Prison officials.

Being searched, a record of his possessions should be made to the searcher and dictated to the suspect, verifying said list by his autograph. The prisoner to exchange the list written by himself for the one written by the officer, enabling the latter to obtain and keep on file ample material for comparison with the questioned documents, and thereby facilitating the work of the handwriting expert.

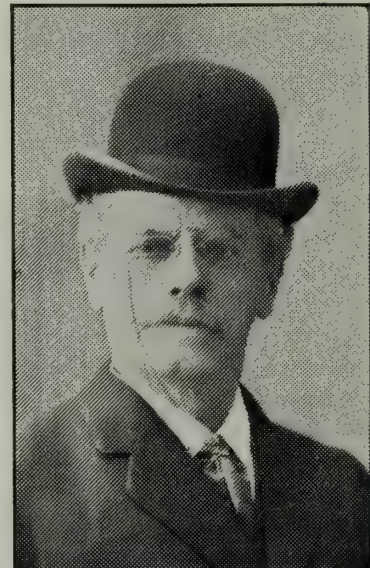
It is not a rare occurrence for a person to bring a questioned check to the Captain of the Detective Bureau. It is surprising that such a paper which will require minute examination and maybe will be the cause of the offender's prosecution, will be extracted from a vest-pocket; it has been folded into a small space, opened and refolded many times, or been carried for a week or more; maybe it has been put for safe-keeping in a purse where it has come in contact with coins, and hence it has become soiled, marked or mutilated. This is particularly the result when the check was written with pencil, and thus part of the writing is obliterated.

I have been handed checks taken from an inside vest-pocket where they had come in contact with perspiration and were actually moist when given to me. My advice, therefore, is to place such checks immediately under a glass envelope or transparent celluloid cover to prevent further injury and additional injudicious handling. This is not only important for checks written with pencil,

but holds equally for those in ink, since finger-handling will make the writing appear "feathered", that is, having the appearance of feathers, and thus adds great difficulty to a close scrutiny of the questioned signature.

Procedure of Some Handwriting Experts in Court

I myself have seen cases in Court where a whole battery of microscopes was aimed at the Jury for the evident purpose of intimidating them, to add an air of mystery, which no conscientious and



CARL EISENSCHIMEL

honest examiner of handwriting would resort to, and to make them believe that the very instruments displayed verified the wrong and off-colored opinion rendered. I have been amused to see at trials, field and marine glasses, telescopes, stereopticons, opera glasses, literary spectacles, reflectors, monocles, and other paraphernalia of the charlatan for merely spectacular purposes. And all this display for what real purpose? To show that a critical examination was made with the aid of these instruments, verifying a false opinion.

My Own Method of Avoiding Such a Display of Instruments

My own practice is not to make such a confusing display of instruments and various optical devices, for in my own experience I have successfully demonstrated details and the conclusions I have arrived at without them. The microscope is certainly in place and most appropriate for the inspection of microbes, fibers and other matters, but it is inadequate for use by a jury in the matter

of handwriting, in as much as it furnishes only a small field for observation, in contradistinction to what I use and recommend for the best demonstration. Photographic enlargements, if competently made, show to the jury the entire document, including every minutest detail, and therefore my practice is to have the jury follow my testimony and grasp its import by a study of my photographic enlargements, which give the entire document the proper proportion in all its details.

Perforation of Checks

I would call your attention to the peculiar perforations in checks, whether they are produced by the Abbott or other Perforating Machines in use by certain banks, or whether such perforations have been artificially made by forgers, as in the celebrated Becker cases. I recall a certain draft raised from \$12 to \$22,000 by the most noted forger of the age, Carl Becker, whom I have met both personally and professionally. In every case of his raising amounts of drafts, he did not use any perforating machine, which will show the perforations or holes of equal size and at an even distance, but he invariably employed a knitting-needle. Though the needle was slowly withdrawn from the paper, it showed the holes made by it to be of different sizes and spacing, thus revealing the fact that they were artificially produced and not by a punch.

Traced Signatures

Next I will mention traced signatures. A traced signature has to be very carefully examined, not only on the face but on its reverse side, which at times will show indentations made by a tracer with an agate or sharp pencil. Spurious or traced signatures can never show the same continuity or freedom of strikes as the genuine; the traced signature will invariably show evidence of artificiality, such as halts, piecing, patching, spacing and reinforcing.

Interlineation

In the matter of interlineation, it is important to note whether or not such interlineation was made before or after folding the document. In folding a piece of paper, the surface and fiber of the paper is broken. If writing has been done on paper before it was folded, a white space will appear, showing the break in the ink-lines of the letters written; whereas if the writing was done after the folding of the paper and the writing crosses such folds or creases, the ink will spread and run into the breaks and fibers of the paper as the pen crosses these folds, and this circumstance can be determined with a positive degree of certainty.

Sequence of Lines

Another point for examination is the sequence of lines, that is, whether a crossing or intersection of a line was made before or after the letter. When an ink-stroke is crossed by another, the latter stroke leaves a record of widening at the

exit. But that sequence could not be shown in the work of the celebrated forger, Carl Becker, as he invariably used a camel-hair brush instead of a pen, and so his crossings were devoid of that feature of widening at the exit. This detail of sequence of lines must be examined with great caution as at times it is deceptive and not always reliable.

Inks

The modern inks used are writing fluids in which the coloring matter is kept in suspension by gum arabic which gives the ink an even flow from the pen whether in a fountain pen or the ordinary pen holder. But in some inks the coloring matter becomes precipitate, in which case an uneven dip of the pen to the bottom of the ink-well will pick up some of the sediment and thus give one and the same continuous stroke of the pen a double appearance in dark and light shades.

System of Handwriting

I am frequently asked to state the various systems of handwriting in vogue. Until the last decade the American handwriting was the admiration of the whole world since the inauguration of the Spencerian system in 1853. Former handwriting was produced entirely by finer movement, with light up-strokes, caused by the tiring action of the extensor and flexor muscles of the hand, which brought into requisition made writing laborious. The Spencerian system consisted of a new movement, a free-arm and wrist movement, thus revolutionizing the former and now obsolete method. Thus persons can now write with greater facility and fluency, and it has necessitated the simplifying of capitals and the introduction of more elegance of forms than formerly.

I would remark pertaining to systems of handwriting, that every adult creates his own system. Naturally at school, the pupil is required to copy or draw a copy of a heading in his writing book or of some writing produced on the black-board by his writing-master, which is nothing else but a piece of art work. But when such a pupil arrives at maturity and in his commercial pursuits has to transmit his thoughts to paper, his writing is then in accordance with his physical ability only; his handwriting is a result of certain physical co-ordinate functions of muscular factors, and he entirely forgets the drawings and reproductions as taught by his teacher; his own personality and individuality come to the fore, thus creating his own system of handwriting.

Hence we notice that no two persons can write exactly alike because each is limited by his own physical ability only and no two persons can equally respond to the same conventional forms prescribed in schools. And further, not even the same person can write the same letter or word twice alike, caused by the ever changing physical condition of the writer.

DEATH TAKES POLICE FRIEND

Death ended the brilliant and enviable career of Miss Ada O'Brien, young San Francisco newspaper woman, just a few days ago.

And this humble eulogy in respect to her memory finds its way into the pages of "Douglas 20," because Ada O'Brien probably had more friends in the police department, in and about the Hall of Justice, than any other woman of the profession.

Her friends were not limited to the police department, however, and when her passing became public, it was quite sudden, scores upon scores in every walk of life, including many with whom she was not acquainted but who read her articles in the Bulletin, mourned her. Chief of Police O'Brien called her his little sister because of their names, but she was everyone's little sister. Ada O'Brien was the Pollyanna of the newspaper business and her friends both in and out of the profession proclaimed her the sweetest character with the sweetest disposition that ever lived. She was a demure little Miss, with soft voice, quiet manner, eyes like smiling violets and when she was sent to the city prison to interview some prisoner, man or woman, no matter what grievance they held against the police or newspapers, few there were who refused to talk to Ada. She had a way of smiling and saying "Hello" that would disarm almost anyone, and she invariably came away with what she had sought. And there were none who had ever talked to Ada who were sorry afterwards for there was no venom in her entire makeup and her stories always were charitable and merciful.

One of her staunchest friends in the Police Department was Sergeant Patrick McGee who had given her many a feature story about the animals in Golden Gate Park when she was a "cub reporter" on the Daily News. And when funeral services were held in her honor at St. Bridget's Church just a few days ago, persons of every creed were there to pay their last respects, Judges, Supervisors, policemen and even janitors from certain of the public buildings.



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Annual Meet of International Chiefs

The meeting of the International Chiefs was called to order on the morning of June 9th in the St. Francis Hotel by the President, August Vollmer, Chief of Police of Berkeley, known as the College chief, and whom Chief of Police Daniel O'Brien said brought the college to the police department.

Invocation was pronounced by His Grace Archbishop Edward J. Hanna, who in a touching prayer outlined the hazards of a police officer and asked that the chiefs be guided by the higher power in the discharge of their work in protecting society.

Mayor James Rolph, Jr., delivered the address of welcome and he extended everything the city offered to the visitors and impressed them with the fact that we had a regular police department and one he was behind in every way possible.

Chief of Police Daniel O'Brien made an introductory address that was the keynote of the convention, that is to do your work during working hours and there would be plenty of time for enjoyment and pleasure.

President Vollmer then called the meeting to order for business and soon had the various committees at work and the work they did was certainly a credit to the members as well as a compliment to the presiding officer.

The business of the convention was handled by sections.

Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson was chosen as chairman of the section dealing with "Criminal Investigation."

The captain had his program ready and a splendid list of papers was handed in.

One of the most important events in the history of the San Francisco Police Department was the holding of the annual convention of International Association of Chiefs of Police in this city last June.

It brought together chiefs of police, captains of detectives and other executive police officers from 36 states and five foreign countries.

One hundred and forty seven cities outside California were represented, and 113 cities in this state sent delegates.

There were 260 delegates to the convention and over 350 guests including women members of delegates' families.

Foreign countries represented were Canada, British Columbia, Denmark, Australia and the Hawaiian Islands.

There were ten cities of over 500,000 population represented at the convention.

Seven cities of between 200,000 and 300,000;

12 cities of between 100,000 and 200,000 and 97 under 100,000 population.

It was the first time the International Chiefs of Police ever met in convention west of the Mississippi River and from comment made by many of the delegates it will not be the last one.

The entertainment of the delegates and guests was in charge of Chief of Police Daniel O'Brien. He selected as his assistants Captain Duncan Matheson, Captain Henry Gleeson, Captain John Mooney, Captain Edward O'Day, Captain Eugene Wall, Captain John J. O'Meara, Captain Herbert Wright, Captain Arthur Layne, Captain Charles Goff, Captain Patrick Herlihy, Captain Marcus Anderson, Captain Bernard Judge, Captain William Quinn, Captain Fred Lemon, Lieutenant John J. Casey, Lieutenant Henry Powell, Lieutenant John Fitzhenry.

The program they mapped out for the entertainment of our visitors was one that sent all back home mighty glad they had come.

To assist in entertaining the women guests, Chief O'Brien organized a committee composed of the following headed by Mrs. James Rolph, Mrs. Daniel O'Brien, Mrs. Duncan Matheson, Mrs. John J. Mooney, Mrs. Henry Gleeson, Mrs. Herbert Wright, Mrs. Edward O'Day, Mrs. Arthur Layne, Mrs. Charles Goff, Mrs. William Quinn, Mrs. Patrick Herlihy, Mrs. John J. Casey, Mrs. Bernard Judge, Mrs. Marcus Anderson, Mrs. Eugene Wall, Mrs. John J. O'Meara, Mrs. Henry Powell, Mrs. John Fitzhenry.

This committee arranged shopping trips, teas, luncheons, dinners, trips and theatre parties for the women and kept them busy from early morning till late at night.

The first three days of the convention were devoted to business and the last three days to pleasure. The meetings and headquarters of the association were in the St. Francis Hotel.

The meeting was one that had a significant angle to it in that the president of the organization for the past term was Chief of Police August Vollmer of Berkeley. He arranged the details of the meeting with a precision that accomplished more work in the time assigned for the business meetings than has ever been held.

Many helpful features were discussed and many new ideas threshed over and adopted, all working for the betterment of the police departments represented as well as for the betterment of those departments not yet represented.

Probably the greatest piece of work done by the convention was the agreement arrived at where a

clearing house, national in character for criminal classification and information was to be established in Washington, D. C., which would receive the co-operation of the police departments of the country.

No delegates to any convention to this city have ever been treated to the round of entertainment as Chief O'Brien and his assistants, comprising the captains and lieutenants of the department arranged for the delegates to the Chiefs' Convention.

After the first three days of business the rest of the week was given over to play and there was plenty of play, keeping the delegates and their wives up day and night. Trips to Tamalpais, Alameda, down the peninsula and about the city afforded the visitors an opportunity of seeing everything worth while. Theatre parties, dinners and banquets filled the evening hours, and every guest left San Francisco for his home with reluctance and every one of them have written the chief of the wonderful time they had and all say that Buffalo will have a job cut out next year to duplicate the time put out by San Francisco.

Public spirited citizens furnished the funds for the entertainment of the chiefs and it is a tribute to the chief and those who assisted him to be able to return to the subscribers thirty per cent of their subscriptions.

Moses Gunst, former police commissioner and who has the interest of the department at heart, was conspicuous by his desire to do everything he could to make the meeting a success, and William Pinkerton said it was the best meet he ever attended which as the slang user would say "is going some."

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Many calls are necessary to handle strictly police business between stations, departments and the chief's office. But when it comes to the public that body uses Douglas 20 more than it does any other one number.

It may be a fire, it may be a crime, a burglary, robbery or it may be the theft of an automobile, some man may have gone out with another man's wife, or vice versa, it may be an accident, it may be a runaway, some mother's boy or girl did not come home, some little tot has wandered away, a dog may have chased a goat, a chicken may have visited some neighbor's garden and scratched it up—they are all told to the policeman—over the telephone.

The policeman must ring up Mr. Public and tell him to be in court as a witness or to come down and identify some property, or mayhaps look at some suspect that has been arrested for some crime. All these things make things lively for Douglas 20.

And we might say that the telephone operators of Douglas 20 exchange appreciate the importance of each telephone call and there is no exchange in the city where promptness coupled with courtesy and patience can excel the girls of the police switch board.

Each operator has had experience at the switch board and has to pass a strict civil service examination to qualify.

The calls cleared through Douglas 20 have increased to such an extent that within the past year it has become necessary to enlarge the exchange and keep more operators on during the rush periods of the day.

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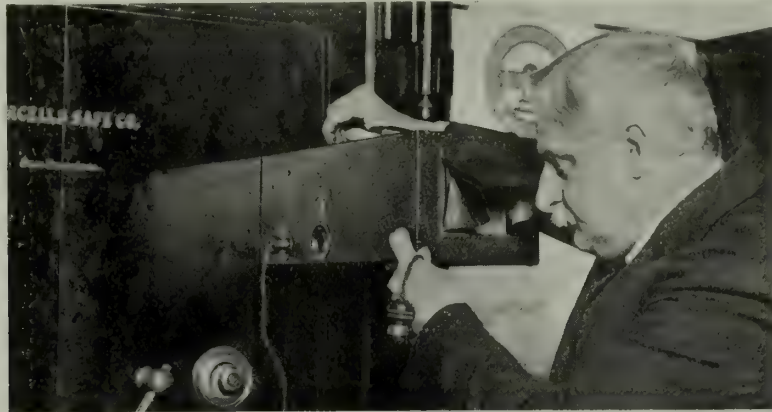
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The San Francisco police department's latest boast is the distinction of having in its ranks, the inventor of a new camera which bids fair to become invaluable for criminal investigation work.

"The Eagle Eye," the new camera is called, and the name is appropriate. The invention is the handiwork of George W. Blum, for the last nineteen years official photographer of the San Francisco police department. It is an invention only recently completed after more than three years of hard work.

The chief feature of the "Eagle Eye" is that it photographs by its own illumination, being equipped with electric globes on the inside and with the renowned Bausch & Lomb Protor Lens, enabling the operator to use ray filters of any color, if needed, thereby obtaining true color values with results equal to any that can be caught with the most technical equipment.

The camera furnishes its own illumination by means of electric globes which thoroughly light up the object to be photographed, and operates with a current taken from regular house wiring with the aid of an extension cord 25 feet in length. The result is most gratifying. The camera turns out the finest work, being especially designed and adept for the photographing of finger prints, both in the laboratory and at crime scenes, and for copying signatures, checks and old documents. The camera is made in several sizes and turns out films or plates 4x5 inches and 8x10 inches in size.

Blum exhibited his camera at the convention of the International Association of Chiefs of Police which was held here last June and since then has been receiving congratulatory letters from all over the United States as well as numerous orders from those who were impressed by the value of the new camera.

Excerpts from the following two letters from local criminologists speak for themselves as an idea of the impression created by Blum's handiwork:

Oscar Heinrichs, recognized local expert in chemistry and microscopy, in a recent letter to Blum writes the following:

"Permit me to thank you for the opportunity afforded me of critically examining the camera which you have designed for taking finger prints both in the laboratory and on the scene of crime.

"This camera appeals to me as a distinct advance over any form of hand camera which has come under my observation for use in such work. I am particularly pleased with the careful way in which the illumination has been worked out, the adjustment which enables a variable lens aperture to be used, the device for using any desired filter and the finding screen in the rear of the camera.

The flexibility introduced into the camera by this device is such as to meet any situation which may possibly arise where photographs must be made on the scene of investigation. It should not be overlooked that the wonderful improvements you have introduced in this camera renders it available for making photographs of tool marks, bloodstains and similar subjects which come into cases and which are frequently neglected because no handy means is available for making photographs."

In a letter written to Blum by Chief of Police August Vollmer of Berkeley, called the "scientific chief of police," the following is contained:

"The fingerprint and handwriting camera was examined by our experts as well as myself and we are of the opinion that it is the best of its kind on the market and should be in the possession of every police department. The camera is foolproof, simple and one that anybody can operate without previous experience."

Police Department Directory

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Department No. 12—Hon. Louis H. Ward, judge; William Benedict, clerk; Fred Schulken, bailiff; Leo R. Friedman, prosecutor.

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Department No. 3—Hon. Sylvester McAtee, judge; Eddie Burke, clerk; Arthur Jonas, prosecutor; Officers Jack Quinlan and George Healy, bailiffs.

Department No. 4—Hon. Lile T. Jacks, judge; Jack C. Byrne, clerk; John Orcutt, prosecutor; Officers Joseph O'Shaunessy and L. H. Arentz, bailiffs.

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The Warrant and Bond Office, William Golden in charge is located on the third floor of the hall of Justice. Telephone Kearny 213. Open 24 hours per day.

Coroner's Office, Coroner T. B. W. Leland located on Merchant Street entrance of Hall of Justice. Mrs. Jane Walsh, chief deputy.

Property Clerk's Office—Captain Bernard Judge. Located first floor Hall of Justice.

Police Commissioners' Office—First floor, Hall of Justice. Commission meets each Monday night. Charles Skelly, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT HEADS—At Headquarters, Hall of Justice:—

Chief Clerk—Captain William Quinn.

Property Clerk—Captain Bernard Judge.

Complaint Department—Lieutenant John Fitzhenry.

Business Office—Sergeant Thomas Roche.

License Bureau—Corporal Michael Riordan.

Clerk of the Police Commission—Lieutenant Charles Skelly.

Civilian Stenographer—Joseph Lee.

In charge of the City Prison—Lieutenant James Boland.

Detective Bureau:—Hall of Justice, Kearny and Washington Streets; Captain, Duncan Matheson; Lieutenants Henry Powell, Frank Winters, M. J. Griffin.

Central District:—Station, Hall of Justice, Washington Street; Captain in charge, Arthur Layne; Lieutenants, John J. Casey and Harry P. Braig.

Traffic Bureau:—Hall of Justice, Washington Street; Captain, Henry Gleeson; Sergeants, Frank E. Mahoney, W. S. Neil.

Southern District:—Station, 360 Fourth Street; Captain, Charles Goff; Lieutenants, W. T. Healy, D. M. Reavis.

Harbor District:—Station, Corner Drumm and Commercial Streets; Captain, Patrick Herlihy; Lieutenants, S. V. Bunner, Henry Lackmann.

Mission District:—Station, 3057 Seventeenth Street; Captain, John J. O'Meara; Lieutenants Arno Dietel, D. J. Collins.

Bush Street District:—Station, 1422 Bush Street; Captain, Herbert J. Wright; Lieutenants, George Duffy, Wilbert F. Pengelly.

Park District:—Station, in Park off Stanyan Street, across from Beulah Street; Captain, Marcus Anderson; Lieutenants, Robert J. Coulter, Edward F. Copeland.

Richmond District:—Station, 451 Sixth Avenue; Captain, John Mooney; Lieutenants, D. W. Cronin, Joseph P. MacCormack (acting).

Ingleside District:—Station, Barboa Park, Ocean and San Jose Avenues; Captain, Eugene R. Wall; Lieutenants, Frank DeGrandcourt, Maurice Beban (acting).

Potrero District:—Station, 2300 Third Street; Captain, Harry J. O'Day; Lieutenants, D. H. Brasfield, J. Clifford Field.

North End District:—Station, 2453 Greenwich Street; Captain, Fred Lemon; Lieutenants, Richard F. Foley, Peter M. McGee.

EMERGENCY HOSPITALS:—

Central Emergency—Polk Street at Ivy Avenue, in the Civic Center.

Mission Emergency—Potrero Avenue at Twenty-Second Street.

Potrero Emergency—To 5 p. m., 2300 Third Street.

Park Emergency—Stanyan at Frederick.

Harbor Emergency—Foot of Clay Street.

These hospitals as well as the preceding stations can be reached through the police telephone board by calling Douglas 20. To get quickest service name the district in which the station or hospital is located.

County Jail No. 1—Rear of Hall of Justice, fourth floor. Main entrance Dunbar Alley between Kearny and Montgomery Streets. Tom Finn, sheriff, Jack Nagle, undersheriff, Dennis Hansen, chief jailer.

Public Defender's office—Fourth floor. Frank J. Egan, public defender.

Probation Officer's office—Fourth floor; William Nicholl, probation officer.



MORALE OF A POLICE DEPARTMENT

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all times. His life is constantly in jeopardy. The soldier goes forth to meet a known enemy; the policeman is constantly menaced by an unknown and hidden foe. He is unaccompanied in his work by martial strains to excite his emotion, to quicken his pulse beats or to stimulate his courage, but notwithstanding the absence of all this, fear is an unknown quantity in police service. It is this character of courage which impels an officer, in the performance of his duty, to make the supreme sacrifice without hesitation and without stint.

Going hand in hand with bravery is the element of loyalty. It is likewise one of the traditions of the department, that no officer, menaced by a hidden or obvious danger need be fearful or apprehensive of lack of support from his comrades. Certain death fails to persuade an officer to refuse assistance to another. It is that trust and confidence which finds its inception in brotherly loyalty of this character and that assists in instilling fearlessness in the heart of the officer.

Integrity, which includes truthfulness and moral fiber, is another of the most important elements involved in the composition of morale. It is essential that the members of a police organization should be possessed of such a character for integrity that their mere statement whether made to an official of the department, to the public, or during the course of some judicial inquiry, will carry with it a conviction of the truth. Each and every one is entitled to the truth—nothing more—nothing less.

Last, but not least, is the element of courtesy. The attitude of the general public towards a police official is formed more often by his demeanor and manner as observed by or made known to them than by any other consideration. The public is entitled to be treated courteously, by their employees. Politeness is an important factor in bringing about a spirit of good will and friendship. The public, however, have no right to assume that it is without responsibility in enforcing morale in its police organization. Ordinarily, the officer receives no reward for his service except his compensation and possible promotion as a result of competitive examination. Whatever his services might be, whatever courage he might display, however efficient he may have become, he is entitled to nothing excepting the occasional praise of his official superiors and of his constituents. It must be obvious that this is not as it should be. Some method of adequate compensation should be provided, but until that is done, they should be made to know that their efforts will be rewarded by the commendation, good will, respect and co-operation of the community.

That which assists more than any other single element in bringing about a high standard of ef-

ficiency in the department is continuity of service in its executive officials. Frequent changes in those that direct the policies and activities of a department break down the morale and render police service uncertain and ineffective.

The members of this commission with one exception, have served for approximately ten years or more. This circumstance may be considered remarkable in view of the attacks to which a commissioner is always subject, rendering him ordinarily, officially short lived. The aim of this commission has always been to bring the department to as high a state of efficiency as possible, and while some of its policies from time to time have been altered, these alterations have occurred with this primary aim in view. In one respect, however, its policy has never changed and that is that it has always demanded of its subordinates, absolute honesty, and while in its administration of penalties with respect to other offenses, it tempers justice with mercy, any form of dishonesty, however insignificant, has been followed by instant dismissal.

This continuity of service so necessary so far as our department is concerned, has also applied to its chiefs. Until a year and a half ago, the San Francisco police department was chiefed by the late D. A. White. He had been appointed under another preceding administration but was retained in office. Connected with the department for so many years, active and verile as he was, he had so impressed his personality upon its policies as to become a part of them. The department was indeed fortunate in having had him for its chief during the days of its reconstruction, to assist in steering it into those channels wherein it gained so much dignity and prestige. His kindly attributes, his unfaltering fidelity to duty and to his trust, his courage in the face of death, and above all, his incorruptable integrity and unimpeachable character, will stand forth as a beacon light to those that follow him and act as an inspiration and a religion to the members of this department, urging them to a more perfect appreciation of their duties and responsibilities.

The work in which he engaged—which became his life work—could not, however, have been so successfully performed if he had lacked the supporting influence and constant loyalty of our present chief, who, upon Chief White's death, was unanimously appointed his successor. Intimately associated with him in the performance of his official duties, a personal friend, acting as chief during Chief White's temporary absence from headquarters thoroughly in touch with the progressive policies of the administration, honest, efficient, indefatigable and courageous, and above all, a thorough policeman, the appointment of Daniel J. O'Brien was made, and Chief O'Brien came into office with the approval and commenda-

tion of the entire community. His appointment was apparently the one thing done by the commission that was considered the proper thing by all. That the people were right, as well as the commission has been demonstrated by his splendid service as chief.

I know that I will be pardoned for the indelicacy when I state that we here in San Francisco believe that we have one of the best, if not the best police departments in these United States and that it is possessed of the attribute because its destinies are presided over by one of the best chiefs, if not the best chief of all departments in the United States.

While I have spoken probably longer than I should, I cannot help but echo the admonition voiced a few days ago by one of the members of this convention, when he expressed the thought that no police department could be efficient unless it were entirely divorced from politics. Here in San Francisco, this was done ten years ago. Since that time, selections for assignment, promotion to the upper office, attachments to details have been based upon merit and merit alone, and if I can assist in the accomplishment, I would be glad to see the detective bureau placed upon such a basis that when a man is made a detective sergeant or a member of that bureau, his retention in that phase of our service and his tenure of office will depend upon merit alone—and just as long as he is able to and does capably, honestly and conscientiously discharge the duties assigned him, he may know that he will not be removed. If his tenure of office is thus made secure, he will be given the incentive to seek and obtain intensive instruction, education and training and so become a specialist in his work and the efficiency of the detective bureau, the most important bureau in our department will become highly standardized.

From what has been said, it must be apparent that the average police organization of every large metropolis is made up of a splendid body of men, courageous, honest and verile, typifying the flower of American manhood and entitled to the confidence, respect and plaudits of those people whose lives they are protecting and whose property they are conserving.

And now, in conclusion, permit me to say that when you return to your far eastern homes, you will carry with you kindly memories of the hospitality and affection of San Francisco and her people—memories that will some day impel you to return and I want to assure you that if that time occurs, you will be sure to find our hands extended in brotherly love and friendship and affection that neither time nor distance can diminish.

CHIEF O'BRIEN'S RECORD WITH S. F. P. D. (Continued from Page 11)

B. Cook, John Martin, John F. Seymour and D. A. White served as chiefs of police in the sequence in which their names appear. His first company commander was Captain Bernard McManus now retired, and his first platoon commander was Lieutenant William Mullender, now deceased. In 1908 there were 808 members and employees in the department, now its strength is 1003. At that time the department had two automobiles, eight horse drawn patrol wagons, three telephone operators, no women protective officers, no motorcycles, no police launch, now it has twenty-six automobiles, including three specially armored cars for waging war on the bandit, nine auto patrol wagons, eight motorcycles, five telephone operators, working on two switchboards at police headquarters, three women protective officers and one police launch. Since 1908 the identification bureau of the department has been placed upon a scientific basis. At that time it was a mere makeshift, now it is recognized as the most up-to-date of its kind in the United States. Mention may also be made that the department now has at its service a special aeroplane patrol and a special radio broadcasting station, and that the police districts, known as the Ingleside, Potrero, North End, were established since Chief O'Brien became a member of the department.

Chief O'Brien realizes that the road to success is not a smooth one, and in administering the oath of office to every newly appointed member of the department he impresses upon him the absolute necessity of retaining an unimpeachable character, an outstanding integrity, and an unfailing devotion to duty. He explains to them his experience through the "school of hard knocks," dealing particularly with the fact that at a very early age of boyhood he was compelled to tackle the problems of life; but being undaunted, he diligently pursued his education on through night school and correspondence courses, until in civil life, he became a stationary engineer and later the superintendent of one of the large buildings of San Francisco. His principal topic and hobby, however, is the protection of life and property, and it may be said in this connection that he is always ready and willing to listen to any suggestion which would tend to render the people of San Francisco the highest possible degree of police efficiency.

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HISTORY OF SAN FRANCISCO POLICE CHIEFS

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of the Consolidation act still held that the police department should not exceed 150 men. Shortly after Kirkpatrick took office the "Kearny riots" took place. These were really race riots directed at the Chinese immigrants, against whom the white laborers could not compete, and were so named after Dennis Kearny, a drayman and leader of the movement. Strikes, panics and acts of sabotage marked that era until a committee of public safety, consisting of 5000 citizens, was formed and quelled the troubles.

After that it was conceded that the police force was too small, and the Board of Supervisors adopted a bill increasing the force to 400 men, and causing the office of chief to cease to be elective and become appointive by the Mayor and Police Commission. The bill became effective in April, 1878, and at the end of the next year Kirkpatrick's term expired and former Chief Patrick Crowley was appointed in his place. Crowley held office until April 1, 1897, when he retired and was succeeded by the veteran captain of detectives, I. W. Lees, then forty-five years a member of the department. Lees retired in glory two years later, January 2, 1900, with a brilliant record of having unraveled some of San Francisco's biggest murder and mystery cases, including the world-celebrated Durrant murder case.

The office was filled by temporary appointment until on February 13, the same year, Colonel William P. Sullivan was made chief. He died the following year, November 11, 1901, and Police Captain George Wittman was appointed to his place the same month.

Detective Sergeant Jerry Dinan succeeded Wittman on April 5, 1905.

While Dinan was in office San Francisco passed through the most strenuous times, from a police standpoint, since the days of the Vigilantes. On April 18, 1906, San Francisco was reduced to ruins by the fire. Controlling a police department and preserving peace then was a serious business in truth. In a word, the days of the Vigilantes had come again, in a sense.

Chief Dinan saved the old invaluable police records by moving them into Portsmouth square, facing the Hall of Justice, covering them with rubber blankets, and, when flying cinders ignited them from time to time, pouring confiscated beer on them to put out the flames, for there was no water available.

Dinan also passed through the famous upheaval of civic administration, known as the "graft prosecution". Likewise during Dinan's administration came the reign of Dabner and Seimsen "the gaspipe thugs," who terrorized San Francisco for

many weeks with a series of murders and robberies.

Dinan resigned as chief on August 22, 1907, but retained his rank of sergeant in the department. In September 13 of the same year, former Police Commissioner William J. Biggy was appointed chief. Then, a mysterious tragedy, which to this day has not been satisfactorily solved, culminated Biggy's term.

Biggy Drops from Sight

On the night of November 30, 1908, Biggy took the police launch across the bay to Belvedere to confer with Police Commissioner Hugo Keil. Biggy and Engineer Murphy were the only persons aboard the launch. They started back from Belvedere about 11:20 at night and, when the launch reached the dock on this side, Biggy was not found. His body was found floating near Goat Island on December 14. There still is speculation as to whether Biggy committed suicide or whether he was accidentally washed overboard.

Sergeant Jesse B. Cook, property clerk, was appointed chief in his place on December 26, 1908. He resigned with a change of administration, January 27, 1910, and retired Captain John B. Martin was made chief, resigning on October 3 the same year. Immediately, Captain of Detectives John Seymour, who took a leading part in the Durrant, Hoff and Nora Fuller murder cases, which are remembered by most San Franciscans, and the Becker-Creegan forgery case, as well as the famous Selby Smelter burglary, was appointed Chief in his stead.

The municipal government was in a state of unrest during Seymour's term as chief, and on June 15, 1911, David Augustus White was appointed chief to succeed Seymour. Seymour was not officially notified of the change of administration, and for more than a week the Hall of Justice was graced by two chiefs of police.

White went into office at he age of 36, without any knowledge of the police business other than a keen general business knowledge. Before his appointment he had been manager of the construction department of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company. He took up his duties, unafraid, however, and embraced the police business as a new study.

When in office a few months, Chief White made the present Chief O'Brien, then a lieutenant, his chief clerk, with the rating of captain. White harbored strenuous times through serious labor strikes and the tragic Preparedness day bomb explosion of July 22, 1916, when ten persons were killed and fifty others were injured. During the period of the world war, Chief White was called upon to do a great deal of personal investigation work for the War Department. The police neutrality squad, created to handle affairs of almost international importance, was organized by Chief

White and given to the command of Captain John J. O'Meara.

Chief White was reappointed on June 15, 1915, and again reappointed on June 15, 1919. He was the first Chief of Police ever to be reappointed to office under the new appointive charter.

In 1918, Chief White was knighted and received two orders from King Albert of Belgium, who, on a visit to San Francisco in that year, took a great liking to the kindly, well met police executive.

Chief White died on November 27 last, after a brief illness with pneumonia.

And today, San Francisco has the late Chief White's right-hand man as chief to face all the opportunities and all the trying tasks that were faced by so many before him. But San Francisco unanimously agrees he can do it. Chief O'Brien, it is said, is the first chief to be chosen without "political pull" or something of the sort. He was chosen as the most logical man, because of his record as a police officer.

He knows the police business from every angle and says he loves it. He is 45 years old, and the father of two husky grown sons one a movie star, the other a law student.

THE LAW OF THE ROAD

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may reasonably be expected to come, and failure to do so is negligence on his part; and this is held by the Court of Appeals to be a continuing duty. Failure to obey this rule prevents an injured pedestrian from recovering damages, even where the driver of the automobile that injured him was guilty of contributory negligence. *Stone vs. Gill*. The court held that a pedestrian in a street of a southern town did not have to look behind him, although he had left the sidewalk and was walking in the roadway at night when struck by an automobile. It is the duty of the driver of an automobile where the view is obstructed to see persons on the road in front of his machine. *Warner vs. Bertholf*.

The driver of an automobile who fails to signal when about to turn without making certain that there is no one behind him is guilty of negligence. *Litherbury vs. Kimmet*.

When two vehicles are traveling in the same direction on the same street, one in the rear of the other, it is the duty of the driver of the rear car to exercise reasonable care with respect to the forward car, and if the driver of the latter indicates by the proper signal his intention of turning to the left into another or cross street, to yield him the right of way. *Barton vs. Studebaker*.

It is not sufficient for a driver, before turning, stopping or changing his course to give a signal or sound his horn. He must first see that he can make the movement in safety without interfer-

ing with other vehicles, and failure on his part to do so, that is, to take the precaution of seeing whether he may proceed safely, is negligence.

A recent Supreme Court case holds where the driver of a machine approaching an intersection at a speed of eight miles saw another driver coming toward him from the opposite direction at an excessive speed, and the former proceeded to turn in the intersection at a speed of five miles, he was guilty of negligence when struck by the reckless driver, because he had the last clear chance to avoid the accident. *Hagenah vs. Budwell*.

The right of way is a continual source of litigation and a recurring problem for the courts and juries to solve. In the Justices' Court this question is an issue every other day.

The Motor Vehicle Act before its amendment in 1919, gave the right of way at intersections to the driver approaching, over the machine coming into the crossing on his left. Since then it provides that the operator of a vehicle shall yield the right of way at the intersection of their paths to a vehicle approaching from the right unless such vehicle approaching from the right is farther from the point of intersection of their paths than such first named vehicle.

A driver having the right of way upon entering an intersection does not continue to have it until he has passed out of the intersection. *Hill vs. Jacquemart*.

"Cutting the corner," is not always negligence, but there must be a valid reason for not keeping to the right. The negligence of a driver in not going to the right of the center of the intersection of two streets when turning will not bar his recovery, unless it be made to appear that such negligence was a part of the efficient cause of the collision. *Wilkinson vs. Behrer*.

Keeping in mind that a speed of fifteen miles an hour is approximately twenty feet a second, and that the average width of streets in San Francisco from curb to curb is less than forty feet, a vehicle moving at the legal speed would cross the street in less than two seconds. Obviously there is great difficulty in determining the right of way of automobiles at intersections, and from this fact no driver is safe in proceeding at fifteen miles an hour when he observes another machine approaching at a street crossing. Consequently it is clearly incumbent upon motorists to use far more caution than now seems to be observed in order to assure safety on the streets and highways.

In conclusion, if motorists would only observe the rule of the road as prudently as they act in other matters, keeping the law in mind that it is a duty incumbent upon them to use the roadway with due regard to the safety of others, there would be a distinct change toward sanity and safety in the use of the automobile.

FLIRTING WITH DEATH

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Once or twice I caught a subtle movement behind. Some one was trying to brain the maniac. And others would stop him. The hoarse whispers of the imprisoned police, those urging that the maniac be rushed and felled, others cautioning that it couldn't be done without endangering the lives of every one reached the crank. And in a loud voice he repeated his threats.

I was unhappy. I wanted to escape. And couldn't. To tell the truth I was frightened. But I had lots of company at that moment. Then I saw something that raced chills up my spine. Sam Browne co-detective, billy in hand was moving, moving, ever so gently, ever so stealthily at our captor.

So gradually that it was scarce noticeable the police made room for him. I saw Browne reach the maniac's side. Saw the swift uplift of his arm. Watched the lightning like descent of the blow. And heard the crash of club against flesh.

Above the din and uproar that followed, the mad stampede of the crowd for the door, the fighting, swearing, sweating mass of humanity seeking to escape the crash of dynamite so sure to follow came the sharp metallic click of the infernal machine's mechanism, ticking its way to the destruction of a thousand souls. For in that building were hundreds of prisoners in the city jail, hundreds of people in the police courts upstairs, crowds on the streets and in the office buildings across the way.

I lowered my head and tried to butt my way through the broad back of a policeman. But it was no use. I was standing still. The rest were standing still. We were all standing still though kicking and fighting to move.

Then I became conscious that we were trampling on something smooth and round beneath our feet. I looked down. It was dynamite. Dozens of sticks of it. Being kicked around like kindling wood beneath our feet.

The detectives had torn the machine from the hands of the sinking crank, dashed it to the floor, shattered its mechanism. And we were safe.

On the way to the telephone to flash in my story I saw half a dozen empty street cars parked in front of the station. They had been filled with prisoners when the dread cry came from within that the "box was going off." Guards and prisoners fled for their lives. The guards came back. Some of the prisoners didn't.

An office building across the street had been emptied and a block away roped off from the scene of what might have been a terrible catastrophe, were thousands of people watching, waiting to see us go up in a pillar of smoke and brick dust.

I talked to many of the policemen who were

with me in that death chamber. They all agreed that it was the one big thrill of their lives. I'll say the same for mine.

And the fellow who gave us this scare. He is a feeble minded fellow now serving 20 years in Folsom. He was a track laborer and his object was to send for the chief of police and president of the railroad for which he worked and get them to raise the pay of himself and his fellows.

They handled him rather roughly in a private interview after he came to from Sam Browne's tap on the head and with a little coaxing he gave them an address where the police found enough "soup" to lift Los Angeles from its foundations.

CHIEF VOLLMER'S ADDRESS

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criminality indicates a polluted blood stream. Extreme measures may be necessary to prevent further pollution, otherwise the Jukes, Kallikaks and Namms will preponderate and furnish fertile soil for national decadence.

Dissatisfactin with criminal procedure is common and we are forced to admit that the complaints made regarding unnecessary delay and miscarriage of justice in criminal trials are not without justification. While the police are not responsible for the delays incident to defects in the procedure, it is our duty nevertheless, as officers of the law, to give heed to the rumblings of discontent, and contribute our mite toward unraveling this perplexing problem.

Uniform national and even international laws, uniform classification of crimes, simplified court procedure, better methods of selecting and promoting properly trained jurists, are modern requirements and deserving of much thought by the police. When we have convinced ourselves that new legislation will be beneficial let us give expression to our sentiments on the platform and in the press, and conduct a campaign of education until public opinion is strengthened enough to influence the lawmakers. We must create reverence for the law. But to do this it is necessary to admit and point out deficiencies wherever they exist, and appeal to the public for cooperation and assistance in correcting the faults. Our power for good in this direction is measured only by the will to work.

When a crime has been committed it becomes the duty of the investigator to learn how the crime was committed, with what, who is responsible and why and how to locate and convict the offender. We cannot do this by trial and error methods, but a well planned method of procedure must be followed. Accordingly investigators showing special aptitudes should be selected and detailed for duty with the squads that give these men opportunities to develop their latent ability. They should be trained for their duties as specialists are trained in every other field of endeavor. Moreover, we

cannot ignore the value of a fully equipped scientific police laboratory as an aid in the detection and apprehension of criminals and the prevention of crime. A single hair, a blood stain, particles of dust has been the sole clues that finally solved mysterious and perplexing crimes in the past. Microscopists, chemical analysts, medico-psychologists and handwriting experts are efficient co-workers. They should be encouraged to enter the police service and devote their energies and lives toward educating and improving the skill of policemen, assist them in outwitting cunning criminals who live by preying on society, and further help us by pointing out removable contributories of delinquency.

Formerly police records were kept in each of the police units within the city. Experience has shown that they are inseparable and to be correctly informed regarding crime conditions in a community we must needs centralize our records. Centralization affords opportunities for intimate study of police problems which when completed can be shown in the form of charts, graphs, tables and maps, thus enabling executives to place members of the force where and when they are most needed and furnish ample protection with the force at their command. A bureau of records, if properly organized, is the hub of the police wheel. It serves to connect the several police branches, speeds up the force, eliminates waste, prevents neglect and derelictions by the members and increases the efficiency of the entire organization. Bureaus can be strengthened by the use of standardized complaint report, record and identification forms and files, and in this respect the International Association has a very important duty to perform. We should recommend standardization, and urge each and every department to adopt the approved forms and files. This will not only save time and money but will aid materially in the compilation of police statistics.

A national bureau of criminal records and crime statistics is imperative and a workable plan for such a bureau should be devised at this meeting. Migratory criminals are causing an endless amount of trouble and property stolen by them is hopelessly lost due to the lack of a centralized bureau of records. When we consider the actual amount of lost and stolen property that a well organized bureau can assist in recovering, the expense incident to establishing and maintaining a national bureau is comparatively small.

Statisticians claim that crime costs nearly twice as much as education. If this be true, then some of the money spent for less important theoretical courses in universities should be set aside for the study of human behavior, its bearing upon political and social problems, and for the training of

practical criminologists, jurists, prosecutors, policemen and policewomen. We should unite in petitioning the regents of the several universities to assist in reducing this tremendous unnecessary economic waste by establishing such courses without further delay.

Team work determines the strength of an organization, not the performance or ability of a particular individual or group of individuals. Therefore, to accomplish the purpose of this association the active cooperation of every member is solicited. No one is asked to assume burdensome tasks but let each select the phase of police activity of problem that interests him and contribute to the organization his study and knowledge of that subject during and between conventions, to the organization. For example one group could devote their entire time and thought toward improving methods for selecting applicants. Another could acquire information regarding training and education of the recruits and so on throughout the various police activities and problems. They should report annually at regular conventions and also be prepared to furnish information regarding their specialty whenever called upon by subscribing members.

During the perilous growing period of this organization it would have been unsafe and ungrateful to have selected a new president at every convention. The meeting at St. Louis has made it possible for our officers to advance to a higher chair annually. Vice-presidents serving as section leaders, prepare themselves for greater responsibilities, are deserving of higher honors and should be rewarded for their unselfish labor by continuous and orderly advancement. In other words, it is my opinion that each year the Vice Presidents should be promoted one step further. We should have a new President each year, and let each of the Vice Presidents, during their period of advancement, serve as section leaders, and in that way learn to know more about the problems confronting us, so that in the end they and we all shall profit.

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WHAT THEY SAY AND DO WHEN TAGGED

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The man who says "They must have just gone out," and had no bulbs in the headlights?

Who parked diagonal on Market Street because "they do it in Modesto"?

Who when tagged for being in front of a hydrant says "I am a fireman and went to the theatre"?

Who tells the pedestrian after knocking him down, what a "good friend" he will be—?

Who explains to the mother of the child he injured how his "Brakes were out of order"?

Who shows his bent fender to the man whose car he wrecked?

Who tells the speed cop "I didn't notice I was going 40 miles because I never speed?"

Who parks double on Montgomery Street to "go to a bank"?

Who waits for the whistle at Third and Market and didn't know about the "Stop and Go" signals.

Who speeds to see his new born and asks the speed cop to "come and see for himself"?

The man who tells the Doctor in the hospital "I had the right of way"?

Who says "It is only a minor violation, I am not a reckless driver," when tagged for 20-Q on Market Street?

The man who never sees pedestrian lane crossings?

The man with the fast car, who cuts in and out because he was going to "some party" and winks at me?

Who tell the speed cop when caught doing 50 miles "You ought to get the reckless drivers, them butchers and grocer's Fords"?

Who is a friend of the Judge, but "don't want him to know about the the case"—47 miles?

Who says on the telephone "I am too busy to come about this tag"?

Who tells the speed cop, and the crossing officers "I know O'Brien and Gleeson and this won't do you any good"?

Is it not the truth what they say? It is NOT.



Police Patrol Boat



BOOKING DESK
CITY PRISON



BUREAU of IDENTIFICATION

DETAILS OF DETECTIVE BUREAU (Continued from Page 42)

BURGLAR DETAIL

One of the newest details of the detective bureau is the so called "Burglary" detail. This body of men, headed by Detective Sergeant Richmond Tatham handle all complaints of burglaries reported throughout the city. They work to apprehend the burglars and recover the loot taken.

Since its formation the annual reports show that the detail has recovered more loot than any previous year and have apprehended more burglars than has been noted in a similar period.

It calls for men who can work early and late and Sergeant Tatham has surrounded himself with a capable bunch of detectives. They are: Thomas Hyland, James Gregson, Earl Rooney, Richard Hughes, Joseph Lippi, Jack Palmer and Irwin Finley, James Mitchell.

PICKPOCKET AND BUNCO DETAIL

San Francisco is one city that the pickpocket and bunco man gives a wide berth. From before the days of the Exposition until the present time the gentry who preys upon the ignorance of their victims and the light fingered artist have been educated to know that San Francisco is a mighty unhealthy place for them.

Stories of the deeds of the men who have been trained to deal with these boys will be given in succeeding numbers of Douglas 20.

The pickpocket and bunco detail of the detective bureau is made up of Thomas Curtis, Edward Wiskotchill, Corporal Thomas Hoertkorn and Morris Harris.

Their work has attracted the attention of neighboring cities and they are often called upon to assist some sister city during festivities to keep a lookout for men who try to get by without working, and many letters attesting their success are on file in the Chief's office.

BANK AND CHECK DETAILS

One of the most persistent criminals the detective bureau has to deal with is the "bad check passer." He is ever with us and to meet this type of criminal Captain of Detectives Matheson has selected men trained in that particular line of crime detection for this check detail with the result that but few of the so-called "paper hangers" get by long in San Francisco.

This detail includes Detective Sergeant William Armstrong, Detective Sergeant Charles Maher and James Hansen, with Charles Kelly giving a hand when needed.

Working along the same lines in conjunction with their other duties are Detective Sergeant

David Murphy and Detective Sergeant William Proll of the Banking Detail.

These two detectives do a great deal of work for all the big banking institutions and assisted in capturing many clever forgers recovering large sums for a number of the banks. The co-operation Murphy and Proll have given the bankers has won much praise for the department, and they with the check detail are recognized by all business firms as hard and effective officers, who work fast and accomplish sure results.

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Peace Officers Ask Drastic Gun Law

By CAPTAIN OF DETECTIVES DUNCAN MATHESON, Whose 23 Years in Police Work Has Made Him a National Figure in Detection of Criminals

Having in mind the need of the united efforts of all peace officers of the state of California to cope with the ever increasing crime situation, a few members of the Bay City Police Officials and Sheriffs of the State of California, conceived the idea of a State Organization, which resulted in the adoption of a Constitution and By-Laws on October 27th, 1921, and elected the following officers:

Daniel J. O'Brien, Chief of Police of San Francisco, President.

Sheriff Frank Barnet, of Alameda, Vice-President.

C. S. Morrill, Supt. of State Bureau of Identification, Secretary.

Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson, of San Francisco, Treasurer.

The purposes for which this association is organized are to secure a closer official and personal relationship among peace officers of the State of California; to secure co-operation and co-ordination in all police matters; to elevate the standard of police institutions; to provide full tenure of office for those employed in the service; to co-operate with all persons chargeable with the enforcement of law so as to secure full protection to all law-abiding citizens of the State and for the prevention and detection of crime and the identification and treatment of prisoners.

By-Laws of Association

Active members shall consist of sheriffs, constables, marshals, chiefs of police, captains of detectives, heads of traffic bureaus in police departments, chief special agents of railroad and steamship transportation companies, the Super-

intendent of the State Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation, Inspectors of California State Board of Pharmacy, Superintendent of State Motor Vehicle Department, the Chief Inspector of the State Motor Vehicle Department, and any other peace officers who may be hereafter appointed by the laws of the State of California.

The Association can be a tremendous force for good. Its program must be constructive and its goal should be better protection for the person and property of law abiding citizens, the elimination of politics from the law-enforcing officers of the State, elevating the standards of Law Enforcement and lengthening the terms of elective peace officers and judiciary of the State.

One of the worst class of criminals the police of today has to contend with, is the auto bandit.

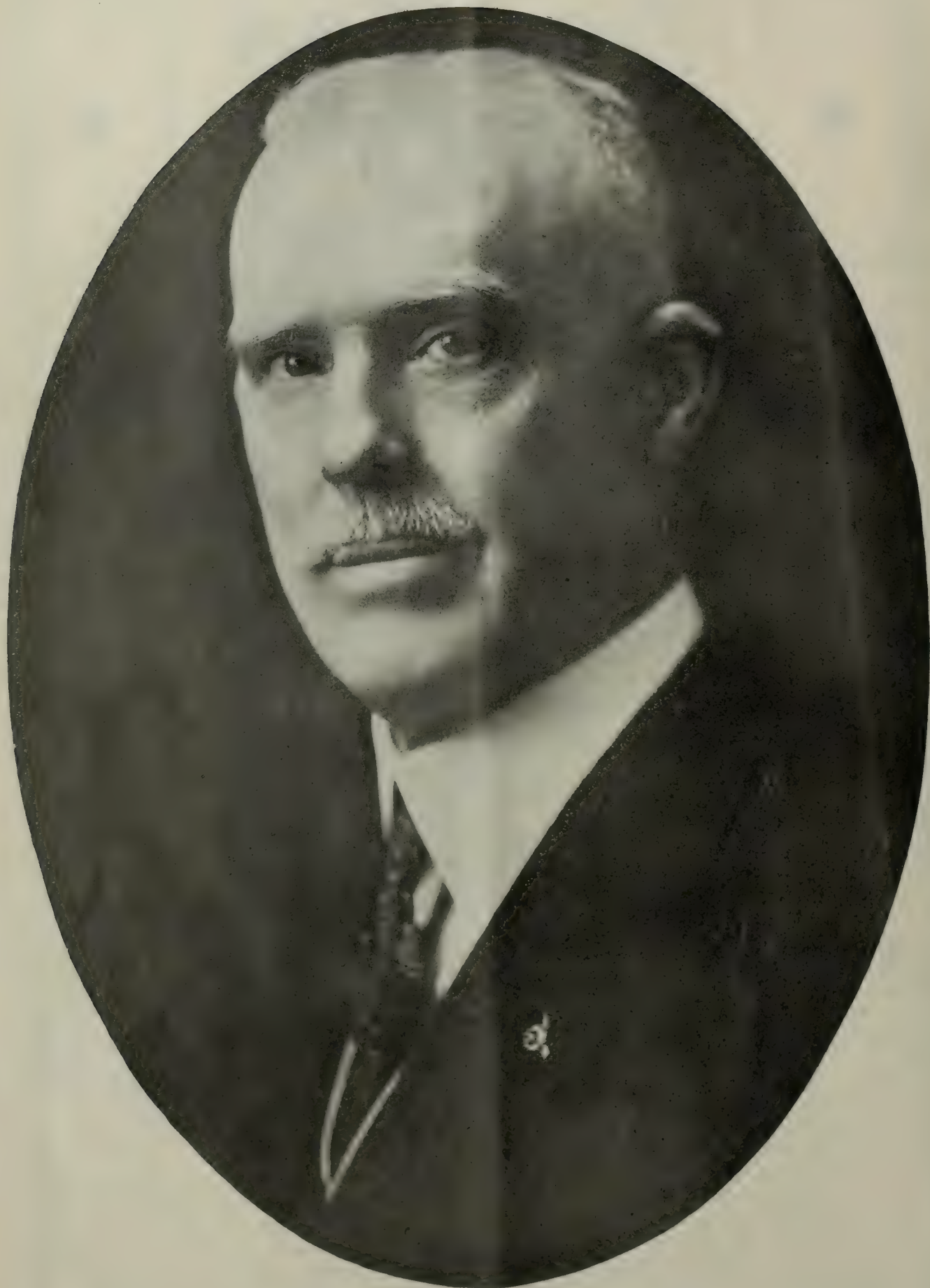
He is daring, a murderer, and his coming and going is so swift that he has caused more work in his apprehension than any other class of crook.

He steals a car to carry him to and to make his escape from the place or the person he has decided to rob, and he is armed to the teeth to shoot anyone and everyone who interferes with his plans or who attempts to arrest him.

Life means nothing to him, he is cruel-hearted and cold-blooded.

He has no set rendezvous like the higher crooks of old and his presence is not known until he has committed a crime. He seldom goes alone, but in gangs of from two to five, three and four being the most common number. One man generally stays in the car, the others pull off the job.

Once the job is over they dash away to some



CAPTAIN OF DETECTIVES DUNCAN MATHESON

safe place, abandon their stolen car and cover up their tracks.

It was to draft new laws to deal with this class of criminal that the meeting the first part of the month in Fresno of the State Peace Officers Association devoted most of its time.

Chief O'Brien and myself after discussing the matter through correspondence and studying the records of the past few years proposed laws that will make the way hard for the auto bandit and the highwayman who uses firearms in the commission of crime, and in fact for all crooks that go armed, as well as those who steal automobiles for the purpose of committing crime.

Meets in Fresno

At a meeting of the Executive and Law and Legislative Committees held in Fresno, Cal., on December 6th, 1922, a bill lengthening the term of elective peace officers from four to eight years was unanimously endorsed. The Committees also recommended the passage of an habitual criminal law, the sterilization of feeble-minded persons and criminals, and the use of the radio and a daily official bulletin from the State Bureau of Identification for broadcasting information about persons wanted and for the recovery of property.

The time has arrived when drastic legislation must be passed to curb automobile bandits and armed automobile thieves, who are now terrorizing the people of the State of California by their depredations and the following proposed laws were unanimously endorsed and their passage will be urged at the next session of the legislature.

Robbery by the Use of Firearms and Motor Vehicles

Any person who commits or attempts to commit the crime of robbery while armed with any firearm of any kind or description by the use of any motor vehicle, automobile or motorcycle shall be deemed guilty of robbery by the use of firearms and motor vehicles.

Any person duly convicted of robbery by the use of firearms and motor vehicles shall be punished by imprisonment in the State Prison for a term of not less than twenty-five (25) years or more than forty (40) years, and such person so convicted shall not be granted probation or parole.

Larceny of Automotive Vehicles

Every person who unlawfully and feloniously steals, takes or drives away any automobile, auto truck, motorcycle or any motor vehicle, the personal property of another, is guilty of a felony and if such stolen automobile, auto truck, motorcycle or motor vehicle is found in the possession of any person, who is armed with any firearms of any kind or description on his person or in the automobile, auto truck, motorcycle or motor vehicle, it shall be presumptive evidence of his guilt and upon conviction, he shall be punished by im-

prisonment in the State Prison for not less than fifteen (15) years or not more than twenty-five (25) years, and shall not be granted probation or parole.

A bill to control the possession, sale, regulation and use of pistols and revolvers in the State of California, to provide penalties and for other purposes.

Committing Crime When Armed

If any person shall within the State of California commit or attempt to commit a crime when armed with a pistol or revolver and having no permit to carry the same, he shall in addition to the punishment for the crime, be punished by imprisonment for not less than five years.

The Court shall have the power to sentence any person who may be convicted for a second or third offence, under section No. 2 of this Act to double and triple the penalty imposed thereby and for a fourth offence, the person so convicted may be sentenced to perpetual imprisonment. Any person convicted of an offence under section No. 2 of this Act, shall not be given a suspended sentence or admitted to probation, or released on parole.

No un-naturalized foreign born person and no person who has been convicted of a felony against the person or property of another shall own or have in his possession or under his control within the State of California, a pistol or revolver.

Violations of this section shall be punished by imprisonment in the State Prison for not less than five years and shall not be granted probation or parole.

Carrying pistol or revolver concealed.

No person shall carry within the State of California a pistol or revolver in any vehicle or concealed upon his person, except in his dwelling house or place of business, without a license or permit therefor as hereinafter provided.

Violations of this section shall be punished by imprisonment in the State Prison for not less than one year and the person so convicted shall not be eligible to probation, and upon conviction, the pistol or revolver shall be confiscated and destroyed.

The provisions of Section No. 6 shall not apply to any Public Official.

Permits to carry pistols or revolvers;

Permits to carry pistols or revolvers shall be granted in cities and counties, incorporated cities and towns within this State by the police authorities in said cities and counties, cities and towns through the Board of Police Commissioners, Police Commissioner, or the person in charge of the police department or marshal, and in the counties by the Sheriff of their respective counties. Permits shall not be granted to un-naturalized for-

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The New World War

By CAPTAIN HENRY GLEESON, Commander of Traffic Bureau of the San Francisco Police Department Who Says Traffic Question Has Become Most Serious Issue Before Police Today

What a strange spectacle is presented today when we find the people of the world ranged against each other in a strange universal war. On the one side are the drivers, whose war-cry is the famous one of France: "They shall not pass." Pedestrian opponents, equally spirited and determined demand of harassed officials "Stop them! Tie them! Impound them! Do anything! But stop them!"

It is the common practice of most citizens to view traffic problems as applying to speeding or reckless driving. But there is a greater danger which threatens. Commercial life of our city and the peace of all citizens.

I remember back in 1902, when automobiles began first to appear on the streets of our city.

It was several years before the people learned to overcome the feeling of fear and hatred against automobiles and the farmers laid away their shotguns and relegated their horses from the country roads, and all learned of the usefulness and blessings that automobiles brought to every business house, and household.

And today while yet remaining a wonder machine, without which the world of business would retrograde and stagnate, a cry of protest is heard from the people demanding that universal laws be made and enforced for the protection of life, health and happiness.

But stranger than all of this is the attitude of every police official of the world accustomed to note and crush approaching evils, that threaten public safety. Accordingly they view with apprehension the increased congestion of motor vehicles and are advising that all citizens prepare to combat this onrushing force that endangers the commercial life of every city.

We are watching the traffic problems of other large cities and are preparing for the inevitable invasion that is creeping silently over our city.

I do not wish to be thought an alarmist—I wish only to advise that no time be lost to prepare to cope with the traffic problem of our own city that have already caused much concern to the commercial business interests.

To prove that we should not decry this new call for preparedness, I invite the attention of all law makers, engineers and public spirited citizens to a study of the present traffic conditions that now exist in New York City. There, traffic officials have been coping with traffic problems for years and have used every known method to keep pace with the increased automobile congestion.

The authorities of New York City now admit that the congestion caused by the immense commercial traffic of Manhattan Island with two million of inhabitants has grown beyond control.

I quote from the annual report of 1921 by First Deputy Commissioner Jno. A. Leach to Commissioner Enright which says:

"Broad streets and roadways must be provided or the city (New York) will quickly drop into that



CAPTAIN HENRY GLEESON

obscurity to which everything stagnant is foredoomed."

Commissioner Enright himself states in his report to the Mayor:

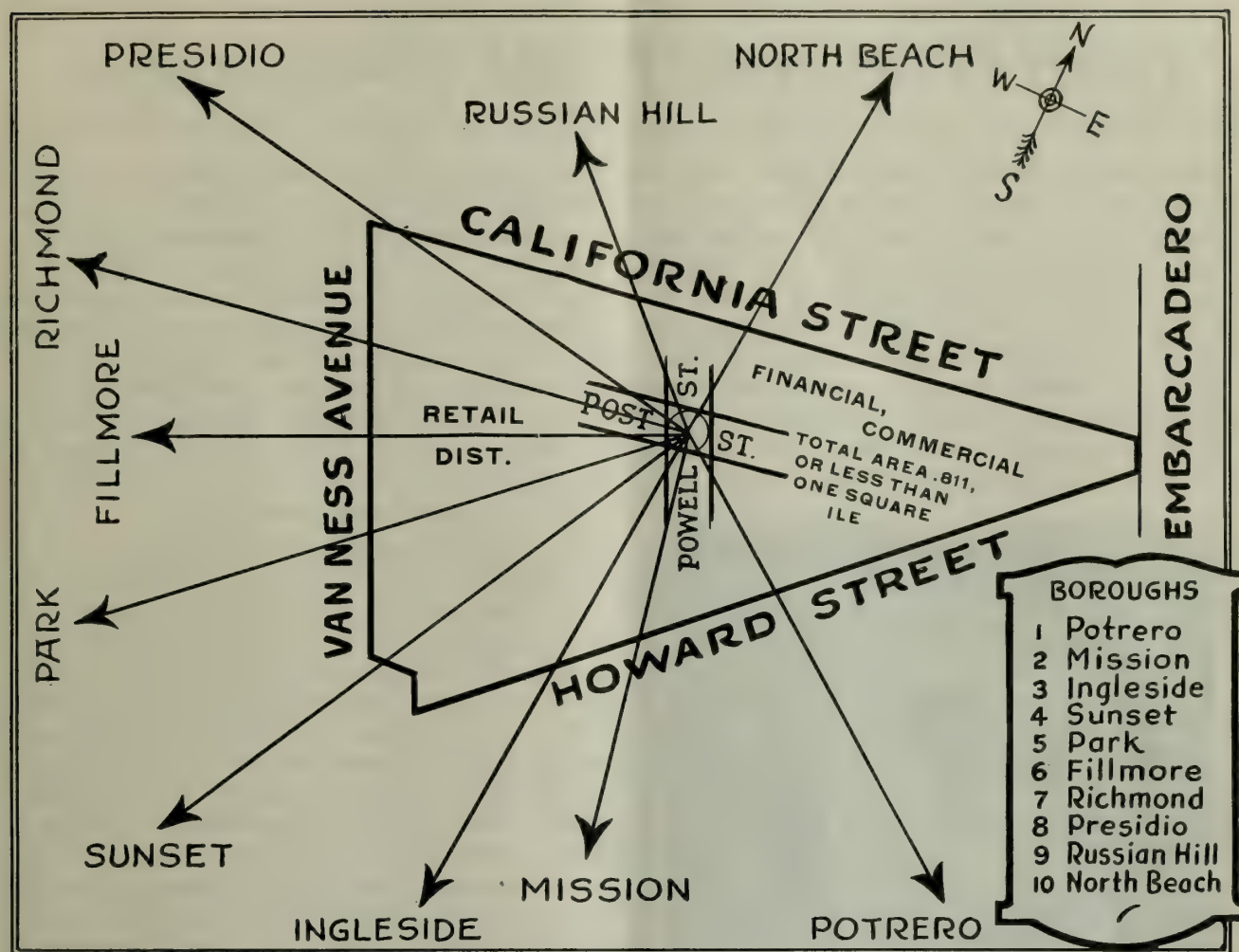
"The traffic problem is progressing beyond the point of being a matter for solution by the Police Department."

"The condition must be treated with the seriousness due to the greatest problem that confronts the municipality."

A startling statement from trained expert Traffic Commanders of the great city of these United States.

We, here in our city, knowing our present population to be 671,000, believe that we are not far distant from traffic problems which unless met with organized preparedness will find us helpless and remorseful. "Forewarned is forearmed" should be our watchword from today on, until we see ourselves secure from this traffic enemy.

The city of New York is a piece of land 13½



CITY TRAFFIC MAP

miles long and $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles wide and an area of 22 square miles as flat as a table permitting every inch of ground to be used—and with a population estimated at 2,500,000—independent of its boroughs.

In and out from this city of New York flows back and forth from the borough of Brooklyn, Bronx, Richmond and Queens a great throng of people bringing with them thousands upon thousands of motor vehicles, thereby contributing to the estimated 400,000 thousand vehicles that move back and forth every day on its streets.

It is from the boroughs that the municipality of Greater New York receives its great population of 7,000,000 people. It may be said that from this source emanates the overflow congestion that is the cause of Manhattan's traffic problems.

Bearing in mind the length, width and area of New York City with its population of 2,500,000, let us glance at the area of the city of San Francisco within which is situated the great financial, commercial and retail business upon which the life and prosperity of our city depends.

The entire peninsula known as the city and county of San Francisco comprises an area of 43 square miles and is 7.96 miles long and 6.92 miles

wide—but owing to irregularities the land area is reduced to 42.19 square miles, having an estimated population of 671,000.

Though we might appear to have an advantage in having more than twice the number of square miles of area, a glance will show that we are not as well off in available acreage for business purposes.

Manhattan Island is fortunate that every inch of ground is level and can be fully used for business purposes without costly engineering problems to overcome. San Francisco's business problems are made difficult by being confined to the small valleys lying between the nine hills that have made our city as famous as Rome.

These hills have constricted the expansion of our commercial business center, but has given to us ten separate childlike communities, each of which strives to establish its own business sections in rivalry with the parent.

Owing to the topography of this peninsula and the hills that are familiar to us all, all of the financial, commercial and retail business of the city is carried on within the boundaries of a small wedge shape area of land bounded by the Em-

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Chief O'Brien on Police Co-Operation

Since the last issue of "Douglas 20" I have had the privilege of interviewing our Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien with a view of securing some items of interest for this issue from him. At this time I want to say that it was not at all easy for me to get a few moments of the Chief's time—in fact, it was upon my fourth venture that I succeeded. On each of the three visits I made to his office I found that he was either "tied up" with representatives from the different walks of our city life taking counsel with them as to the best ways

eral states and that in many instances criminals have been arrested in a city where police investigation showed that the perpetration of the crime was agreed upon by many persons in other counties or States. This subject of police co-operation is not a new one with the Chief as some two years ago while attending the conference of the International Association of Chiefs of Police held in St. Louis, Missouri, the facts were developed that a national organization was the only effective instrument by which police departments could carry out the trust imposed upon them.

Brings 1922 Meet to City

I might say also in this connection that at the Convention held in St. Louis the Chief was not only concerned with closest police cooperation, but he was also interested in bringing the 1922 convention of that organization to San Francisco. How well he succeeded in this enterprise is now a matter of public record insofar as the citizens of San Francisco are concerned. I requested information from him if any steps were being taken to bring the Federal Department of Justice in touch with the various state organizations and on that subject he informed that at the last convention of the International Association of Chiefs of Police held in this city it was decided that a national central bureau would be established at Washington, D. C., and that an appropriation to carry on the work of said central bureau would be made by the national government; that from this central bureau information could be readily ascertained in relation to criminals by the state police departments, as well as by the federal agencies.

I also requested information from him as to whether or not the police departments were availing themselves of such up-to-date instruments of distributing information as the wireless telegraph. He informed me that for some months past the San Francisco Police Department has been operating a wireless station for the purpose of transmitting information through the State of California regarding lost or stolen automobiles and other matters coming within police jurisdiction. This method has already proven successful and no doubt further efforts will be made to develop a more perfect and uniform system among all police departments.

Entire Department Doing Fine Work.

The Chief did not forget to mention that insofar as the San Francisco Police Department is concerned he is well satisfied with the police work

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CHIEF DANIEL J. O'BRIEN

and means of rendering 100% police service to our people or in consultation with police officials of other municipalities of this state. When I succeeded on my fourth venture in having an interview with him he informed me that his time was limited as he was then about ready to leave to preside over a traffic conference the object of which was to bring about the betterment of our State traffic law.

Police Co-Operation

After complimenting me for the manner in which the first issue of "Douglas 20" was published, I inquired of him if he desired to supply me with some facts which may be of interest to peace officers in general. He immediately launched into the subject of "police co-operation". The chief is very anxious that the closest possible unity should prevail among every police department not alone of this state but of the American Union. He recited that police experience shows that the present-day criminal is not alone well organized but that his ramifications extend throughout sev-

Our Police Department of 1889

By M. A. GUNST, *Personal Friend of Roosevelt and Police Commissioner from 1889 to 1904, and Who Bought and Paid for First Patrol Wagon Used by San Francisco Police*

Few people appreciate the growth of the San Francisco police department during the past 25 or 30 years.

Few people realize what the department has done and what it is doing to cope with the ever present menace of the criminal.

I have tried to keep pace with the development of our department which I believe has no peer in this or any other country.

In 1889 I was appointed a police commissioner when the affairs of the department were handled by the state officers. Governor Markham appointed me and I served for five years, my associates being Commissioners Alvord and Tobin, who long since have died.

When I accepted the appointment we had a force less than 500 men, commanded by the late chief Chowley, and six captains.

Of these captains all but one was over 70 years of age. After much opposition I finally got the old captains retired and new blood put at the head of the respective companies. In this move I was strenuously opposed by the chief and the other two commissioners who feared such a revolutionary change would disrupt the department. But I succeeded and the result was as I anticipated. The efficiency of the department took an immediate rise.

Dress Force Up

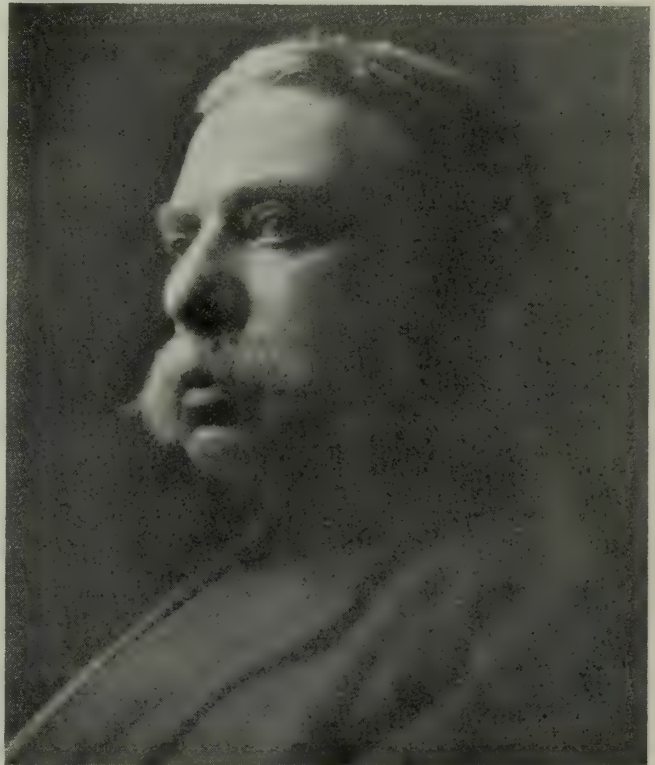
The thing that struck me the most forcible, however, was the fact that the patrolmen and non-commissioned officers were not generally uniformed. They presented a sorry picture at nights in their haphazard habiliment. Red shirts seemed to be the favorite garment these men wore. They covered them with short blue jackets and with slouch hats they were hard to distinguish at night from a holdup man. Their star was the only badge that indicated they were policemen. I undertook to change the rules so that the men would be properly uniformed from head to foot. Again I met with strenuous opposition and it was only after a hard battle that I finally carried out the idea. The men were forced to wear a dressy uniform, with belt and helmet, and they certainly did show such a change that people did not get used to them for weeks.

The next thing that presented itself was the fact that we had no patrol wagons. I was determined to have some. This was the straw that nearly broke the camel's back. The commissioners and the chief said they had given in on the retiring of the old captains and the putting on of

bright new blue uniforms, buttons and all that, but a patrol wagon was too much for them.

"Why," said the chief, "it will increase sickness among the members who have to ride in those cooped up things."

However, I went east and consulted my friend Theodore Roosevelt who as a commissioner of police in New York had done great things in bringing that department up to a high standard, and who had given me much valuable advice through correspondence.



M. A. GUNST

Visits Roosevelt, Buys Patrol Wagon.

I took up the matter of a patrol wagon with him and he said that San Francisco should have one for each station, by all means.

The commissioners and chief and others in authority would not vote the money to buy one, so while in New York I bought one and paid for it myself, shipped it to San Francisco and saw that it was put into commission. I got one exactly like the New York department used.

It proved a wonderful assistance to the police and instead of increasing sickness it turned out in six months time that the sick list was cut 25 per cent.

So successful was the service of the patrol

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HERO, HORSE AND RESCUED
DOLORES RAMOS (Right)
OFFICER DOLAN AND HIS FAITHFUL PAL "DON"

Courtesy San Francisco Chronicle

"Of Such Stuff Are Heroes Made"

By LESLIE C. GILLEN, for Years Police Reporter for *The Chronicle* and One of the Leading Newspaper Men of San Francisco

Arthur J. Dolan, police officer, attached to Richmond Station, born in San Francisco 41 years ago married and the father of five children.

This is an introduction but Arthur Dolan hardly needs to be introduced for during his eighteen years of honorable and enviable service in the San Francisco Police Department he has introduced himself to the public a dozen times in his modest but chivalrous way.

Dolan, personally a likable, friendly but unpretentious man, has proved himself to be relentless and courageous when he has faced the occasion squarely. Dolan's reputation has been built up chiefly through the many lives he has saved at Land's End and Ocean Beach, where, with his faithful horse, Don, he patrols a beat rain or shine.

A crack hand with a lariat and an expert rider on a thoroughbred horse, can do unbelievable things when both man and horse have the utmost confidence in each other. This is exactly the situation with Dolan and Don. Together they have braved the beating surf a dozen times to rescue a drowning person who had gone beyond their depth and were struggling in the undertow either by accident or with suicidal design.

It takes courage for a man to ride his horse straight into the surf at a gallop, until the horse is galloping no longer, but swimming, and then to twirl a lariat.

It takes courage, indeed, in any case, but it takes a particular brand of courage when the rider cannot swim a stroke.

"It isn't me, it's dear old Don", is the way Dolan gives his credit to his horse. "Don's a good fellow and he's never failed me in a tight place. I rely on him implicitly, because, you see, I can't swim a stroke!"

A man who has saved more lives than he now can remember without referring to the little scrap book which Mrs. Dolan treasures, and he cannot swim a stroke!

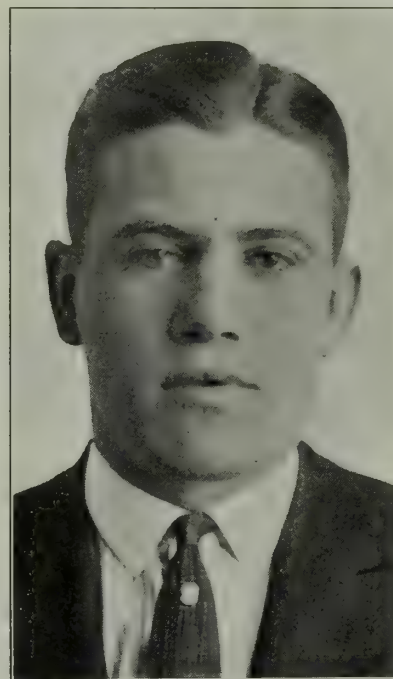
Dolan's latest feat of bravery was on Sunday, December 10, when he rescued two persons, a man and a woman, from the surf, the latter surviving and the former succumbing. The best account of the life saving, perhaps, is Dolan's own report to Police Captain John Mooney, his superior, which reads as follows:

"At 4 P. M., December 10, 1922, my attention was called to cries of 'Police' from the west side of the Great Highway. I was standing at the

corner of Balboa and La Playa Streets one block away.

"I rode down the beach and saw two bodies floating in the surf about 200 yards out. I rode my horse out and caught hold of the body of Miss Dolores Ramos, 709 Oregon Street, El Paso, Texas, and brought her to the shore.

"At the same time, William Fredericking, a Coast Guard, went out with a cork vest and life line on him and caught hold of the body of Salvadore Ochoa, 333 Laurel Street, but the surf was so



LESLIE C. GILLEN

rough he lost his hold. I then rode in again and caught hold of Ochoa. As the surf was rough, it was necessary for my horse to swim, and at about the same time his hind foot caught in the martingale, which caused him to roll over on his side, but with my assistance he righted himself and I was able to land Ochoa on the beach.

"Dolores Ramos was taken to the Park Emergency Hospital where she was revived by Dr. Burden. Ochoa was taken first to the Life Saving Station and then to the Park Hospital where he was pronounced dead by Dr. Burden at 7 P. M.

"I might state at this time that I was unable to swim, but feel perfectly safe in the water with my horse.

Arthur J. Dolan, Star 340."

Subsequent investigation proved that the Ochoa
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Police Baseball Team Beats Firemen

The greatest stride toward promoting athletics in the police department has been made in the development of the San Francisco Police Department baseball team, which is a member of the Nationals of the Mid-Winter league of the city, and which is managed by Lieutenant John J. Casey of the Central district.

Lieutenant Casey, who knows baseball thoroughly has taken the keenest interest in this sport, and has selected a team from the membership of the department, that is fighting now for first place in the league, and it is almost certain that the boys will head the race at the finish.

back his boys and Fire Chief Thomas Murphy was on hand to see that the Firemen kept trying. Fire Commissioner Davis and Police Commissioner Roche also attended the game while various other city officials were present, all rooting for their respective choices.

It is proposed to make this meeting between the Firemen and the Policemen an annual affair, as was the custom before the war, and this is but a nucleus for competitive athletics between these two great departments of the city, among whom there is unlimited talent for all sorts of high class sporting events.



SAN FRANCISCO POLICE BASEBALL TEAM—LIEUTENANT J. J. CASEY, MANAGER

Up to December 10th the Police team has won three games and lost two, and were in third place. They won three games in a row.

The big game of the year and of the league especially which attracted more interest than any others was the meeting Dec. 3 when the Policemen and Fire Department team clashed at Recreation Park.

Over 3000 baseball fans attended the game and they sure got their money's worth from the first ball pitched to the final out.

The score was 12 to 3 in favor of the Policemen. Chief of Police Daniel O'Brien was present to

NOTES OF THE GAME

George Hildebrand, big league umpire, officiated at the game, and he probably never tried to give fairer decisions in his life, for he has many friends in both departments.

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Jack Hanley at first base played a smashing game. He saved many errors in pulling down some wild throws to the initial bag. He also got two hits and scored one run.

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Syd Desmond hit the first ball pitched for a
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Community Chest and the Police

By ARTHUR L. PRICE, *Newspaperman, Poet and Now in Charge of Exploitation of Big Charity Undertaking in San Francisco*

The Community Chest of San Francisco has very aptly been described as "The Friendly Arm Across the Drooping Shoulders." Members of San Francisco's police force know better, perhaps, than do any others the need of this "Friendly Arm". The policeman on the beat understands the problems of the poor. He comes into almost daily contact with the lowly and distressed and he knows he has never been seen to pass the cry for aid unheeded; he is among the first to respond when generous hearts are called for to serve in the cause of succoring those who need.

In the first number of Douglas 20, Theo. J. Roche, president of the San Francisco Police Commission states, "The police department is peculiarly an institution of humanitarianism." This means that the patrolman is not only devoted to the business of upholding the law but is concerned with the problems of the countless many who look to him for guidance. President Roche is exemplifying his statement by becoming Colonel of the Municipal Employees Division of the Community Chest and in this capacity will aid greatly in the campaign to collect a city wide fund for the support of those agencies and institutions performing works of mercy and welfare among the unfortunate and poor.

The Community Chest was organized on the broad principle that the obligation of caring for the city's distressed rests upon the entire community and not upon the few who, in the past years, have contributed to the support of charitable and relief agencies here. Through the operation of the Community Chest an annual, city wide fund will be collected for the support of approximately one hundred agencies here all of which pledge themselves not to conduct any separate appeals for funds. In this way the numbers of contributors to charity will be increased by more than tenfold, while the cost of collecting a fund will be considerably lessened.

Through those institutions affiliated with it the Community Chest will give aid to the poor; it will furnish milk to under nourished children; it will comfort old age; orphans will be given succor; youth will be offered guidance while the sick who are now without funds will be cared for through clinics and hospitals. The Community Chest will do more than that. It will unite under one banner, the many generous impulses of San Francisco known throughout the country for their extent and sincerity.

Already the Community Chest has commenced

to function in its work of mercy. Its first opportunity to aid the public in work for health and social betterment has come in the distribution of the Christmas seals of the San Francisco Tuberculosis Association, the little double-barred cross stamps expressive of the people's desire to aid in the fight against tuberculosis. In past years these seals have been sold, the money being used to finance the battle against the white plague. This year these stamps are being distributed free of cost from campaign headquarters of the Community Chest, 660 Mission Street, while henceforth the Community Chest is to finance the cause of the Tuberculosis Association.

The Community Chest campaign for a fund which will be in the neighborhood of \$2,000,000 will be held January 22 to 31 inclusive. A strong team organization has been built up to conduct this campaign and many individuals are volunteering daily to aid in this effort. Judging from the numbers of clubs and business organizations here which have already endorsed the Community Chest the idea is due to enjoy the same success here which has been characteristic of its establishment in many other cities of the country.

That the policemen of San Francisco will rally to this cause goes without saying. The policeman is ever first to give aid. He has seen destitution and sorrow, he knows the plight of the wayward boy and how much good a recreation center does for the lad; he has given counsel to the distracted parent that a reckless girl may be guided aright; he has taken the sick and helpless man to the hospital; has given friendly advice to the man seeking a job.

So no one knows so well as the policeman what work there is for the Community Chest, acting through a hundred agencies to relieve distress, and with the President of the Police Commission one of the leaders in the movement, Chairman A. B. C. Dohrmann, chairman of the Community Chest, is confident that every man in the department will be an advocate of the Community Chest.

"Sherlock Holmes" the new filmization was reviewed by Chief O'Brien at the Imperial this month.

Every traffic officer at the meeting held in the hall of Justice this month said the favorite and most reliable motorcycle used by motorcycle officers was the Harley-Davidson. They ought to know, they have tried them all. They said they have the necessary speed too.

Public Spirit

By GEORGE B. MONK, *President of Public Spirit Club International and President of the Public Spirit Club of San Francisco*

"Public Spirit". What is it? "Having, or exercising, a disposition to advance the interest of the community or public."—(Webster's International Dictionary.)

We, of the Public Spirit Club, have taken it upon ourselves to alter the passivity of Webster's definition of Public Spirit by the simple expedient of changing one word: "Having AND exercising, etc." Of what avail is it to have a disposition to advance the interest of the public unless such disposition is exercised? And it is certain that such a disposition would not be exercised unless it existed, therefore, we propose to make this slight but important change in the definition, and make the words "Public Spirit" vibrate as an active force—intangible—but apparent in its workings. Men of character, high-minded men, are gathering together to study intelligently and investigate comprehensively, social and economic problems without bias or prejudice, subservient to no interests and refusing to recognize class divisions, firm in faith in the principles of our republic and confident in the wisdom and justice of the great majority of our people, whether their labor be done with brain or brawn, determined to find the Truth in all propositions with which we concern ourselves, and to be guided by one principle and one only; The Greatest Good to the Greatest Number. The apathy of the intelligent people—the lethargy—indifference to public affairs is pathetic, and the ignorance of the majority is refreshing.

Police Know Evil Influences

Perhaps no one realizes more fully than the men of the Police Department in our large cities the number of evil influences constantly at work to undermine morally, socially, and politically the very foundation of our whole social structure. It is a peculiar and remarkable fact that constant and feverish activity is the part of extremists, reformers as well as evil-doers, agitators and radicals. We have people in this country devoting time, money and energy to organizing forces to rid this country of tobacco, and prohibit movies and other innocent diversions on Sundays. We have other more dangerous citizens, working in the dark, with fierce intensity, looking forward to the day when this government will be overthrown and all private property become property of the state—communism, the red flag in the place of the Stars and Stripes. And the pendulum does swing from one extreme to the other. Such is history. An interesting fact is that every prob-

lem, evil, and proposed cure is a more or less monotonous repetition of similar experience and experimentation through the past seven thousand years of recorded history.

It is the duty of intelligent public-spirited men, through organization, co-operative and co-ordinated effort, to mould public opinion and guide public affairs along a line between the extremes, in all things to act as a balance wheel, to keep the machinery of government running smoothly, steadily, and properly balanced, to endeavor to hold the pendulum still, in the center, not allowing it to



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swing unceasingly from one extreme to the other, to guard jealously the rights, privileges, liberties and property interests of all classes without discrimination, to be sure that every law that is enacted is fair to all, necessary, enforceable, and so simply worded that it is not susceptible of misinterpretation.

Elevate General Standards

Public Spirit is not only a desire to help upbuild the community and to contribute to worthy charities. We must give it a broader interpretation. The purpose, actively followed, to elevate the general standard of social and economic conditions to a higher plane to the end that those who follow us will be truly farther along the road to Utopia than we are, by precept and example to so inspire our successors that they will "go and do likewise."

That very splendid gentleman, our Mayor James

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Police Training

By CAPTAIN WALTER J. PETERSEN, *World War Soldier, Former Officer International Chiefs Association and for Years Chief of Police of Oakland*

(Chief Petersen's article is an unconscious and therefore unsolicited tribute to the San Francisco Police Department. I asked the Chief to write something pertaining to police and police matters, and, with the article the Chief sent me a letter in which he stated that said article was "general in character". Now, it so happens that everything which Chief Petersen suggests a good police department should have for the education of its novice member our San Francisco Police Department possesses at the present time, and has possessed for some years. Of recent years our San Francisco "new policeman", after being "sworn in", is scheduled to spend a term of instruction in the Detective Bureau, the Traffic Bureau, the License Bureau, the Chinatown Squad, the General Office, the Bureau of Identification, the Photograph Gallery, the City Prison, and the Property Clerk's Office, before being sent to the Station to which he is permanently assigned by the Chief of Police. In addition to this course of instruction the new police officer of the San Francisco Police Department has to continue reporting to the department shooting gallery for target practice until OK'd by the shooting instructor, and has also to go through a course of U. S. Army drill for several months after his appointment. San Francisco's Police Department also has for years been free from political influence and grafters.—Editor.)

More than fifty per cent of the number of persons who commit crime are never arrested.

The reasons why this condition of police affairs is possible are: politics, graft, the numerical strength of the force and the failure to properly train the police personnel.

A politically governed police department is a failure, a grafting department a scandal and the failure to give adequate training an economic and technical blunder.

Politics can only be eliminated by the vigorous action of an enlightened public and graft by the co-operation of the public with the executive police authority.

No class of men are subject to such persistent and insidious temptations as are the members of the police department. That physical courage is wanting cannot be fairly charged because the many heroic deeds performed by members of the force give ample proof of the heroic character of the average policeman, but moral courage often fails under the onslaughts of politicians and other

citizens who expect and demand special privileges, that when granted, break down respect for law and the morale of the police department.

Police training in the West is usually a farce and although Bureaus of Criminal Investigation and Identification are fairly well trained, police training to the recruit is either very inadequately given or not at all. While the lie detector, the investigation of blood specimens or the micro-



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scopic inspection of human hair have their values, the thing necessary in police business is to apprehend the thief, for if the criminal is not arrested all the skill of the scientific investigator is of little avail.

The professional criminal often knows more about police business, the geography of the city, the weakness of individual members of the force, than does the officer of the law who is armed with gun and club, that he often does not know how to use, and who wears his badge of authority to enforce a law that he only has a very hazy knowledge concerning. The new policeman, entering upon his duties should at least have sufficient knowledge concerning the work he is called upon to perform, so that he can meet the "crook" on fairly equal terms.

After the recruit has passed his physical examination, he should be sent to a police school and

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Clinical Observations of Criminals

By DR. A. A. O'NEILL, City Physician, Whose Duties Include Treating Prisoners at City Prison and Who Has Devoted Much Thought to Subject of Cause of Crime

The problem of crime and criminals as revealed by a study of them in the Psychological Clinic in San Francisco shows us the problem is the same as in New York and Chicago, and, in fact, is identical here, the same as it is in the larger cities.

Gluck, the psychiatrist of Sing Sing Prison, reports that in 600 consecutive admissions to that institution, 66% had served one or two terms in other prisons or reformatories. Twelve per cent of this number were definitely insane; 19% were classified as psychopaths; and the balance, 28%, were of the moron class. As our problem here is the same as confronts them, I will not burden you with further statistics.

When I first took up this work, the thought struck me many times of the very striking analogy that exists between communicable, or, as they have been called, contagious diseases, and crime. Both occur in epidemics, both follow in the wake of wars, and both have a marked season period. For example, crime is always more prevalent in winter than in summer. The same holds true of this type of diseases. Where the herding together of large masses of humanity exists, as in large cities, we have the foci of these diseases, and likewise the centers of criminal activity. These diseases have a marked predilection for individuals between the ages of fifteen and thirty, and it is this period of life from which we obtain the largest number of criminals. A striking example of this may be seen in our County Jail No. 1. Out of 150 men held therein awaiting trial for felonies, 75% have not reached their thirtieth year.

Imbued with this idea, I used the spot pin map with the result that the impressions I had in regard to this analogy were confirmed more strikingly. Another curious fact was shown by the comparison of graphic charts, one showing disease and the other crime, and they revealed that a certain type of disease will prevail at one period, and that also a certain type of crime dominates.

Carrying out this idea, and keeping this comparison in mind, I found that the handling of crime and this type of disease twenty years ago was precisely the same. If a person became infected with a communicable disease he was isolated from his fellowmen and his contacts were placed in quarantine. In like manner, if a man were convicted of a crime, he, too, was shut away from his fellow men and his immediate associates closely watched. It was found in the case of disease, however, that quarantining, isolation, and disin-

fection in no way diminished its incidence. Today it is admitted that the handling of the criminal situation is practically futile. The same individuals, as Gluck has shown, return time and time again. And it is admitted that we have the same proportion of criminals per 100,000 population today as we had twenty years ago. In the case of these diseases, we have long since arrived at the conclusion that prevention is the only logical solution that offers itself. We know the causes of crime and we know that there are certain breeding spots for crime; and it is to remove the causes and wipe out these breeding places that all our efforts should be directed.

Jail Examination Too Late

One conclusion, above all others, which forced itself upon me is that the examination that is made of the individual after he has arrived in jail is much too late to be of any benefit to him, and little to society, except from a statistical viewpoint. It is just as easy for the psychologist and criminologist to ascertain what is mentally wrong with a backward child, the one who while in school requires so much of the teacher's attention in order to keep him up with his work, who later on engages the attention of the policeman on account of his wayward acts, and who, under our present system, enters the primary school of crime, the Juvenile Court.

I am firmly of the opinion that it is just as damaging for a child to be brought into this court as it is for an adult to be brought into a higher tribunal.

I have spoken of and referred to our correctional and punitive institutions as follows: The Juvenile Court as the primary school of crime; the City Prison as the grammar school; the County Jail as the high school, and the State Prison as the university, for when they leave the latter institution they are thorough masters of their craft.

What, then, is there to offer; what suggestions are to be made? I would like to have it in this city that all school children be compelled to submit to a psychological examination. I would like to see it when a child is backward in his studies, is given to petty thievery, staying out late at night, it might be without legal process, taken to a clinic, such as Dr. Schlapp has established in New York City, where it will be examined and suggestions made for its proper care; in other words, the mother finds the child getting beyond her control, and speaks to the policeman on the beat as to a friend,

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Annual Police Ball

The big social event of the year for the police Department—the annual ball, has been set for Saturday evening, February 10, 1923. Beside being the big social event of the boys in blue it is the big opportunity for the people of San Francisco to come out and enjoy themselves and at the same time they are getting their money's worth in entertainment help out the Widows and Orphans fund. For the proceeds of the big affair is used to help keep up this humanitarian work of the department, to give assistance of the kind that counts, when the time has come for the policeman to answer the call that all have to face.

Each year this annual ball has been bigger and better, each year the attendance has increased, and the program provided made more attractive, and this year the men who have been placed in charge of the 1923 concert and ball are making plans that promise to eclipse any former effort.

As has been the case since the Civic Auditorium has been built the policemen will use that big meeting place for the coming entertainment.

Lieutenant John H. Lackman of the Harbor District has been selected to have charge of the 1923 ball, and he has appointed a number of committees to look after the various details. These committees are as follows:

Hall and Decorating Committee—Captain Herbert J. Wright (Chairman), Company "E"; Sergeant Frederick W. Norman, Company "E"; Sergeant Harry Barnett, Company "G"; Officer Thomas F. O'Connell, Company "G".

Concessions' Committee—Sergeant Robert L. Morton (Chairman), Company "C"; Sergeant Jeremiah F. Dinan, Detective Bureau; Officer Charles R. Kelly, Detective Bureau; Edward J. Thomson, (Retired), No. 62-A Walter St.

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Music and Talent Committee—Captain Marcus Anderson (Chairman), Company "E"; Officer Louis P. H. Meyer, Company "B"; Officer Frank M. Haley, Company "F"; Officer Charles E. Munn, Company "F".

Invitation to Mayor Committee—Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien, (Chairman); Police Commissioner Jesse B. Cook, O'Farrel Street and Grant Avenue; Captain William J. Quinn, Chief Clerk; Captain Charles Goff, Company "B"; Captain Fred Lemon, Company "J".

Publicity Committee—Lieutenant John J. Casey, No. 1 (Chairman), Company "A"; Captain Arthur

D. Layne, Company "A"; Officer George R. P. Grunwald, Company "A"; Officer John W. Evatt, Company "A"; Officer George F. Barry, Company "C".

Committee on Badges and Programs—Captain Eugene R. Wall, (Chairman), Company "H"; Corporal Charles W. Brown, Company "I"; Officer William Isaacs, Company "H"; Officer William C. Gilmore, Detective Bureau.



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Committee on Invitations—Captain James Kelly (Chairman), 109 15th Ave.; Corporal Albert D. Schmidt, Company "J"; Corporal George F. Kopman, Detective Bureau; Officer George M. Geimann, Company "E".

Transportation Committee—Captain Henry J. O'Day (Chairman) Company "I"; Officer Edward F. Ruggles, Company "D", Officer Howard H. Chamberlin, Traffic Bureau.

11 OLDSMOBILES FOR MASSACHUSETTS STATE POLICE

Col. Alfred F. Foote, Commandant of the Massachusetts State Police, last spring purchased an Oldsmobile "Four" Touring and an Oldsmobile Economy Truck. These cars have given the guardians of state law such good service that the department is standardizing on Oldsmobiles,—having just purchased five Oldsmobile "Four" Touring Cars and five Economy Trucks. The department now operates eleven Oldsmobiles. The sale was made by L. A. Laporte of the Dunbar-Laporte Motor Co., Holyoke, Mass.

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CHRISTMAS.

Christmas is here!

Maybe it doesn't bring you as much happiness as it seems to bring most other folks. Maybe your expenses during the year have been too great and the fact that Christmas is here almost appalls you. Maybe it has given you an absolute and incurable grouch! Whether you are happy or sorry, nevertheless, the fact remains, Christmas is here!

You see it everywhere. In your very own home, there's the kiddies and the wife. They are working hard, planning and plotting for Christmas, the glad season. And for what? It's the time of the year everyone should be happy. The wife and the kiddies are planning and plotting to make you, themselves and everyone around them happy.

You see it out on your beat. Look in the shop windows? See the colors and the overstock. See the bustling about. See the crowds on the street, hurrying back and forth, laden down with bundles, puffing and wheezing but there's a rosey glow to the cheeks and a smile, and hear them

say: "Merry Christmas!" Why all this bustling about and all these great preparations? Because Christmas is here? Christmas, the glad season, the time of the year everyone should be happy.

Now, isn't the grouch beginning to weaken. Isn't that grand old yuletide spirit taking hold of your soul. Isn't it becoming contagious. Isn't it catching you yet? Because everybody but yourself is happy, you say? Because they all have more to be happy for?

Wait. Maybe your beat is a busy one. Maybe in the midst of all this hurrying some one rushes up to you and tells you: "Officer, a man just got hit by a machine down there?" You go there, break through the crowd and there he is, bleeding on the slippery muddy street, and scattered around him are a bunch of crushed and broken bundles. There's a broken doll, and a set of mechanical toys, and a silk lamp shade bespoiled with mud, now—Christmas presents the poor devil who lies there dying in the street was bringing home to the wife and kiddies when he got hit. And a little further away is a turkey now unfit to eat, what with the mud and dirt. That belonged to him, too. And you stoop down, and you note that the pained face is thin, and sunken, that the hands are gnarled and calloused from work, and that his coat is threadbare and wet from the rain. And witnesses tell you that the poor fellow just stepped off the curbstone fast and didn't look where he was going.

Why was he hurrying and why did he have all of these bundles? Because Christmas was here and he was hurrying home to his little nest with all he could afford to bring.

And the ambulance arrives and you take him to the hospital where the surgeon says: "He's gone" And you look through the pockets and find the name and address, and the Sergeant tells you that you had better notify his wife.

Reflect, now, aren't you pretty well off? You bet you are! Go ahead now. These little tragedies of life are bound to happen. But you are safe and sound, yourself. Go ahead and buy those things for the kiddies. Say, on the square, isn't it a grand old season after all.

"Merry Christmas, officer!" Some stranger has hailed you. Give it to him back. Gee! Aren't you the lucky guy? Say, nobody in the world has any more reason than you to be happy. There's the wife and kiddies, and they have you, safe and sound.

Coroner T. B. W. Leland says that some one is killed each day of the year by an automobile in the San Francisco Bay cities. Is it any wonder that judges are awakening to the fact that they must send drivers of death cars to jail.

CITIZENS SHOW APPRECIATION

Once again has the police received recognition from the citizens of the city at the polls. Last month two propositions were on the ballot for the actions of the people. One was the Charter Amendment No. 32, which was objected to by all city employees and against which the police department went on record strong.

The other was a proposition to make detective sergeants out of men who proved themselves fitted for duty in the detective bureau. Both measures received the support of the voters as asked for by the police.

It is these tokens of esteem that show more clearly than anything else how strongly the police department is entrenched in the confidence of the citizens of San Francisco. And it is for these manifestations of confidence that every police officer in the city should strive at all times to give one hundred percent efficiency in his work of protecting life and guarding property.

"As ye sow, so shall ye reap," is as trite today as it was when written centuries ago, and just so long as the police department continues to do its level best, just so long will the people of this city come out and respond to their request for assistance.

JUST DOORS

Doors—ordinary doors, double doors, oak doors, glass-panel doors, big doors, small doors, front doors, side doors and back doors—to the ordinary person they are just something to open and close, lock and unlock.

But doors hold a great deal more significance to Special Police Officers Gene Gfoerer and Dudley Norquist.

The former patrols the immediate district north of Golden Gate Park Panhandle from Stanyan to Baker Streets and from Fell to Fulton Streets, and the latter patrols the south from Stanyan to Baker and from Oak to Waller Streets.

The other night the pair of them began discussing doors at the Park Police Station. Doors? Here are two men who certainly know them. Doors? They have hundreds of them on their beats and they rattle these doors every hour every night. Rattle them to make sure they are locked for the safety of the persons who sleep behind those doors and for the safety of their goods; rattle them to make sure no master key has slipped or no jimmy has forced the locks on those doors.

"It sure surprises me how careless people are about locking their doors," remarked Special Officer Norquist. "It's hard to believe but the storekeepers with the most expensive stock seem to be the most careless. I find on an average of eight stores a week with unlocked doors and they range from grocery stores to jewelry and furniture stores. Can you beat that?"

"Same here," declared Special Officer Gfoerer. "I have some very fine residences on my beat and I find plenty of latches left off. Whenever I bump into an open door in a private home like that I'm up a tree. I hate to rouse the whole family and frighten them to death. But what is there to do. There might be some prowler inside. I figure it's better to get everybody out of the hay than to take a chance on letting some mug be making hay while the family sleeps, so I roust them out every time. It's inconvenient but it teaches them to be careful."

"Sure, you have the right idea," agreed Norquist. "Why one night I found three doors in a row unlocked. Say—no matter how many doors you find open you never get used to it. It sure gives you a sickening feeling down at the pit of your stomach, doesn't it?"

"I'll say it does, until you are sure that there's no one lurking in the dark inside," agreed Gfoerer.

And it's not only doors that are burdens on the minds of these two special officers, Gfoerer and Norquist, but doorways as well. Every door has a doorway. Every night or two, Gfoerer and Norquist say, they catch sight of dark forms in the shadowy depths of some doorway. Out comes the trusty old electric flash and they shoot the beam of searching light across. Nine times out of ten it's a flapper bidding a prolonged good night to a Johnny. They both jump, startled to the flare of light, and then make some caustic remarks about a "nosey cop" and so on.

But one night not many weeks ago Gfoerer flashed his light on two shadowy forms and they weren't a flapper and a Johnny at all. They were a couple of burglars working a door with a jimmy. In an instant two shots rang out and Gfoerer was dropped with a bullet in his thigh. Gfoerer emptied his gun at the fleeing pair but they got away, leaving their burglar tools behind them. That little incident cost Gfoerer five weeks in a hospital in addition to the pain.

It's not as easy and pleasant a job as it looks during the early hours of the evening when the streets are well populated and the lights are bright.

Many things happen in the life of a policeman that makes good reading for the newspapers, but this month Detective Tom Conlon had an experience that is not a common one. A woman came to headquarters and told about a man named John Hincke who last August gave her \$1900 on the purchase price of lodging house, and who was to return the next day and pay the balance, but he never showed up. She had the money and was honest enough to ask for assistance to find the man who gave it to her. Detective Conlon was detailed on the case and after a few days the man was located in Oakland.

To Form Juvenile Traffic Bureau

Realizing that one of the most serious problems that faces the police departments of the country today is automotive traffic, Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien and Captain Henry Gleeson in charge of the traffic bureau of the San Francisco police department have with the assistance of the members of the Board of Education, the principals of local schools, worked out a plan to start a system of education which will no doubt tend to solve in a great measure this perplexing question.

The proposition is to select 22 students from 55 grammar schools of the city, by the principals, form them into a military organization with companies of 16 privates, two corporals, two sergeants, a lieutenant and a captain, with Chief of Police Daniel S. O'Brien, colonel, and Captain Henry Gleeson, adjutant, and for drilling purposes and training to be moulded into five battallions with five majors. These students to be trained for traffic duty about their respective schools, to assist other students to cross and recross streets adjacent to the schools before school, at the noon recess and after school.

The body will be known as the Public School Traffic Police.

The members will have control of all motor vehicle traffic, and drivers will be expected to obey the orders of these officers, and if they don't will be forced to respect and conform to their efforts to protect the little ones going to and coming from school.

The list of school children injured and killed each year has become so appalling that the police department's heads have to do something to curb further increase. This organization of the school children into units of trained traffic officers, the first move of its kind ever undertaken in any city in the world, is believed by Chief O'Brien, Captain Gleeson, A. B. C. Dohrmann, Mayor Rolph and others interested in the undertaking to be a step in the direction of lessening fatalities.

It will be a campaign of education, at the same time assist the police in attending to the care of the school children by throwing into service over 1200 youths, who will have a complete and comprehensive understanding of the traffic laws, what to do, how to do it, and who with youthful enthusiasm will put more earnest energy into the work than could be hoped by any other agency.

Captain Gleeson will be the instructor and he will see that the boys have a complete knowledge of the laws and the proper signals to be given.

He will teach them that they have absolute control of the situation, that they must be watchful and courteous, and if any driver of a motor vehicle fails to respond to their signals his number will be taken and he will be brought into court.

An advisory board comprising A. B. C. Dohrmann, president of the board of education, Mayor Rolph, Chief of Police O'Brien, and others will be appointed. This board will handle all business of the organization and see that the proper execution is given all orders by superior officers. The juvenile traffic police will be under the strictest discipline of the colonel.

Major Overton of the R. O. T. C. of the high schools has promised close cooperation and is back of the movement in every way possible.

The members of each company will be selected by the principals with an eye to the physical condition of the young officer, his willingness to serve under strict military rule and his ability to understand the traffic laws as will be propounded to him.

Each member of the organization will wear a distinctive badge upon his right arm, and in time will be properly uniformed.

It is expected that the citizens will give hearty support to this movement and encourage their boys to perfect them in this worthy cause.

And when mother or sister goes down town shopping with Willie or Johnnie he will show them just where to cross the street, and steer them safely from one side to the other. It is a movement with wonderful possibilities and we know it will go over big.

Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien has always maintained the closest relation with the federal government and its officials, and has been called upon to assist in some big cases, where he has detailed many men for the special detail. But from the detective bureau there are two men assigned to work with the secret service, especially the postal department, and Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson has assigned Detective Sergeant George Richards and Detective Henry Kalmbach.

These two detectives have for years been assisting the governmental officers and in return have received much valuable assistance from the secret service.

Their work is for the most part of a confidential nature and they take their task just as sincerely as though it was some big murder case or a great robbery, satisfied only with the fact that they have helped out when called upon.

Handwriting and Crime

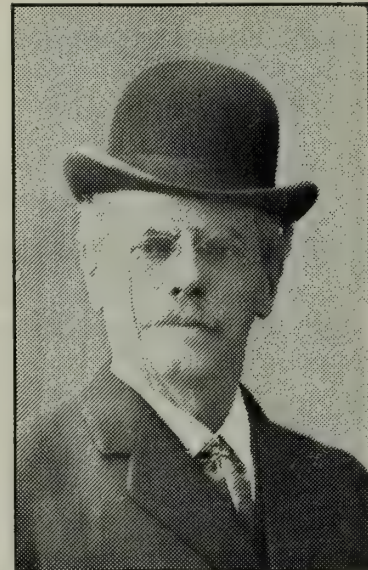
By CARL EISENSCHIMEL, Attached to Detective Bureau San Francisco Police Department—Address Given Before International Chiefs

(Continued from November Issue)

Carl Becker was admittedly the cleverest forger of modern times. He passed about a million dollars worth of spurious papers, having served terms in all the capitals of Europe. He also was sentenced here to serve a term in San Quentin of 7 1-2 years, which on account of good behavior was reduced to 5. He was a most interesting man, and immediately after his release from the state penitentiary honored me with a visit to my office. I did not exactly recognize him at once until he introduced himself, as he presented the appearance of an English tourist, which he readily explained. A month prior to the expiration of his term, he telegraphed his wife to send him some clothes, and she responded by sending him a trunkful that he had made for himself by tailors in London; so he appeared to me like a British tourist, with light trousers, blue sack coat, watch and chain jauntily in the outside pocket of his coat and wearing a beautiful crescent shaped scarf pin in his scarf. Of course he left the penitentiary very early in the morning to escape the camera men of the press, and it was rather amusing to hear him tell how he had knocked down one or two of them who had obstructed his path. He certainly looked well, and when I congratulated him on his good appearance, he stated that he had the best in the land; he ate with the warden and had received the best treatment. During his conversation with me, it developed that he had perused with pleasure my professional work in the courts while reading the newspapers, and he seemed astonished when I once made a statement that if a will was signed on wood pulp paper prior to 1883 that the will was positively a forgery without and further examination of the signature. I arrived at that conclusion after careful inquiry. I related to him certain inquiries I had made with paper experts and how they were all agreed that prior to 1883, only newspaper, wrapping paper, toilet paper and ordinary pamphlet covers were manufactured out of wood pulp and positively no writing paper. Then ensued a pause after this statement, when he revealed the fact to me that prior to 1883 he himself had manufactured wood pulp paper in Paris.

Being a specialist on Becker's handiwork, I declare I can recognize his work at a distance. As I am familiar with his methods and records. I immediately told him at the time that he was alluding to certain 500 Franc notes, the author of which baffled the whole secret service of

France, and when the first forged note was shown to the governor of the Bank of France, he admiringly examined it and proclaimed it a forgery and a very clever one at that, in as much as it was far superior to the issue of the bank. Whereupon my friend, Mr. Becker, became rather chesty and quite voluble. I related to him the difficulty I had in arriving at the test for wood pulp paper; the microscope was certainly unsatisfactory. Wood pulp and rag paper both contain vegetable fibre; wood and cotton are both vegetable matter, and therefore the fiber being equal, I had to resort to



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a chemical test. Being ever ready and in a recipient mood for information I again consulted paper experts in regard to the chemical test and was cordially received by every one of them. A test was shown me; it developed rather slowly. Upon inquiry that re-agent or re-agents were used that had the appearance of clear water, with the exception of chlorinated gold, the tester evasively replied: "that any old thing would do." Whereupon I thanked him for the information imparted and returned to my office. I immediately started an investigation of my own, and the result was that the wood pulp paper developed a pinkish color after 7 minutes. Now, returning to my friend Mr. Becker, "the prince of forgers." I related to him my efforts with regard to this test for wood-pulp paper. After accepting his invitation to be his guest at luncheon at the Palace hotel, where most eminent lawyers envied me the companionship of this cleverest forger of the age.

(Continued in January Issue)

Our First Paid Subscriber

Every publisher of a newspaper, magazine or journal has a keen interest in knowing who the first subscriber to that particular periodical is going to be.

The publishers of Douglas 20 are no exception and when it was agreed that this magazine should be published the men who worked out the details often wondered who the first person might be.

After checking all subscriptions, and we are glad to say that the list has become a very creditable and pleasing one, we find that Miss Evelyn M. Dulfer, 722 Funston avenue, daughter of Alexander Dulfer, who prints Douglas 20, was the first person to send in a paid up subscription. This was done without advising her father, who desired to be the first subscriber to the magazine, but who was informed by Business Manager John F. Quinn, that his daughter had beat him out for first place.

Miss Dulfer is a graduate of the College of Holy Names in Oakland and is a student in the University of California. She is prominent in social circles of the younger set on this side of the bay and in Alameda county as well.

The publishers of Douglas 20 extend to Miss Dulfer their thanks for her interest in our magazine, and trust that she will be on our subscription list for many years to come.

The returns of subscriptions to Douglas 20 have been very gratifying. Not only have the people of the city of San Francisco, but throughout the state many peace officers and others interested in police work have sent in their checks while from Honolulu the chief of police sent a blank for a year's subscription announcing that he was greatly pleased with the initial issue of Douglas 20.

Many of the local police officers have subscribed for the magazine to be sent to eastern policemen

and to their friends and relatives.

The entire first edition was exhausted before the present edition went to press and the prospect for a large subscription list is indeed pleasing.



MISS EVELYN DULFER

Many business and professional men have seen the advantage of having a copy of Douglas 20 in their place of business and offices, while the news-stands sold a large number to customers.

OFFICER JOY, CHAMPION SWIMMER

Fresh water swimming is one of the most strenuous of all aquatic sports. It calls for men who can endure cold water, and for strength to keep afloat as there is no buoyancy in fresh water.

San Francisco's police department has a member who holds a world record for staying in fresh water, and this record was made at an elevation of a mile above sea level, in the coldest water in the country. He is officer Mansfield Joy of the Central District.

Two years ago he arranged a swimming contest which startled people who knew the proposed scene of the swim. It was to swim the length of historic Donner Lake in the high Sierras. With no preliminary training he entered the water at one end and starting straight across

in the middle of the lake swimming over the lake with a depth of over 400 feet he made the three miles, fighting a heavy tide, taking over five hours to make the distance. He was carried back at times hundreds of yards but he gamely stuck to his task and finished the swim in such perfect condition that he almost ran to his dressing room. He was given no sustenance whatever by the occupants of the boat, among them his wife, which paced him for the distance.

For this feat he was presented with a medal by the Donner Lake Company, and the oldest inhabitant there said it was the first time anyone had ever attempted to swim that cold lake through the middle channel.

Later on he was for 45 minutes in Emerald Lake in ice cold water, fighting a white cap swell that rolled up like high waves at times.

Pickpockets and Buncomen

For years one of the things the heads of the San Francisco police department have been proud of is the scarcity of bunco operators and pickpockets in this city.

Dating back some ten years the city has been more free of this class of criminals than any city could hope to be.

During the exposition year there was not a single pickpocket "kick" reported at headquarters, and not a bunco trick was turned during the year. This is a splendid record when it is considered that millions of people visited the great fair.

Pioneering the work of freeing San Francisco of pick-pockets and bunco men, credit can be given Detective Sergeants Frank McConnell and Charles Gallivan, who for years headed the detail dealing with this sort of offenders. They have been for the past ten years on the personal staff of the chief of police, serving under the late D. A. White, and now under Chief O'Brien. The detail now includes beside the two officers named above, Detectives Thomas McInerney, James Coleman.

When McConnell and Gallivan were paying most of their attention to the pickpockets and buncomen, there never was one of these gentry who had ever been mugged that these men did not know. No matter whether the arrest was made in Portland, Maine, or El Paso, Texas, these two detectives got their records, and once they got a look at a rogues' gallery picture they never lost the impression made upon their minds, and just as sure as that crook came to San Francisco just so sure was he to be arrested.

Chief White used to get a great treat from the work of the two detectives when they brought in some visitor who sought to pick up a bank roll by not working for it.

One day McConnell and Gallivan grabbed a pickpocket at Third and Market Streets, just as he was getting off a street car. He protested to the detectives, telling them they had made a mistake and then finally becoming indignant. But of no avail. He was hustled before Chief White, where he protested even more vehemently. The detectives let him talk on, and finally sprung a picture they got from the identification bureau on the suspect and the chief. He wilted and then said to Chief White:

"Well this is rich. Why I just got off a train from Los Angeles ten minutes before I was picked up. I have never been in the west before in my life, and these two birds make me and all the chatter I could spill got me the icy glance and a trip to headquarters. I guess and you can bet on it I will never hit this town again."

The chief after a good laugh told the suspect

to pass on through our city and linger very short. The pickpocket took his hat, a grip and was on his way without a second invitation.

Another time a pickpocket with a record wanted to come to San Francisco for a visit with some people he knew. He stopped off at Bakersfield, wired McConnell for permission to come to the city, assuring him he would not break the law and would report at headquarters as often as wanted. He was told to come up here. He stayed two weeks and then went his way, and there was not a report of a job being pulled during his presence in the city.

McConnell and Gallivan have been called upon to assist police departments throughout the country and especially in California cities during some big celebration, and they have always returned from these assignments with great credit to themselves and the commendations of the chiefs who asked for them. In Fresno three or four years ago they went down to the Raisin Festival. They stayed all week and there was not a burglary, pickpocket or short change stunt pulled, and the chief wrote the local chief that the year before the loss from crime had run up into the thousands.

Of recent years they have been relieved of the work of chasing pickpockets and bunco artists and attend to special investigations from the chief's office and their work along that line has measured up to that which made them famous in putting out of business the most dispicable criminal known to the police—the "picks" and the "bunks".

Other men have been given that work now and they have kept up the good work, and of their activities we will dwell in another article.

HALL OF JUSTICE XMAS TREE

The annual Christmas tree held for the benefit of children who have come to the attention of the authorities as the result of failure to provide for minor children cases, will be held this year in the Hall of Justice.

The celebration is the idea of District Attorney Matthew Brady and this year he will be assisted by Chief of Police Daniel O'Brien.

Over six hundred children whose fathers have become so low that they won't contribute to their support, and who otherwise would have a very dreary Christmas will be invited to the Hall of Justice and presented with nice presents of toys, clothing, candy and other Yuletide gifts.

In addition to this the children of many needy families will not be overlooked.

Miss Helen McAvoy and Mrs. Martha Evans are handling the details of the big tree.

Covering All The Beats

They're still telling one about Detective Barth Kelleher, when he was on special duty in the Harbor District under the late Captain Patrick Shea. Barth had been very ill and Captain Shea put him on special duty. Barth told the Captain that he wasn't sure whether he could produce the expected results as he did not feel any too well. Captain Shea told him to do the best he could. Three days later Shea was standing in front of the station when Barth Kelleher hove into sight with two strong-arm thugs, one on each side of him. As they reached the door of the station, the two prisoners stopped short and swung on Barth, hitting him on both jaws at the same time. Barth held his feet. He was more angry than hurt. Then Cap. Shea saw something like a cyclone for just a few seconds and when the storm had cleared Barth was dragging both his prisoners into the station, subdued, with all the fight taken out of them.

"Sure, Kelleher, you've a gall to tell me you're not feeling well," said Captain Shea. "If you're sick now, I want to see you when you're well."

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Officer Tim Connell attached to the office of Tax Collector Edward Bryant is looking for the guy that stole his overcoat while he was guarding the city's wealth. When it got cold at the city hall one day last month, Tim went to get his "tent" and found it missing. He naturally set up somewhat of a protest as he had just laid down some good hard cash for the "benny". Collector Bryant and his assistants went to the policeman's assistance to locate the coat. They spread the word of the unusual thing of a theft in the hall. The miscreant that hooked the cover got scared and when the searchers went to get a lay of the land where the coat had been left by Connell they found it hanging on the peg. Now Tim is having a hard time making the boys on the first floor of the hall believe the coat was ever stolen, but he is on a still hunt for the gent who took it just the same and we would hate to be that guy and get caught—by Tim.

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Captain Charles Goff of the Southern Station says its a toss up which acts the faster, just ordinary moonshine whiskey or jamaica ginger mixed with wood alcohol. He says both are sudden in their fatal results.

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Officer Harry Gurtler says that after observing for many years he is convinced that alcohol and gasoline don't mix well.

Chief of Police Daniel O'Brien made one of the fastest round trips to Los Angeles the latter part of November that has been made by any member of the force. He got a wire before going to the Stanford-U. C. football game at Palo Alto that his son George, movie star was leaving Monday for New York and thence to South America to appear in some big pictures. George could not come via San Francisco so his "dad" took the Lark after the game, arrived in Los Angeles Sunday morning, left in the afternoon for home and was at his desk at the usual hour, bright and early Monday morning.

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Officer William Danahy of the Park Station knows the names of more flowers in the park than any other officer in the station.

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Officer George Campbell on duty at Bush and Polk Streets, during the evening hours says that some one gave out the impression that Third and Market Streets were the busiest places in town. He says if one will show up at his post along about six o'clock any evening he can correct this statement and show that his corner is a mighty lively section of our fair city.

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Detectives Bill O'Brien and Bob Malburg have been sued so many times for ten thousand bucks apiece that they're all but believing that they have ten thousand to be sued for.

Who's daffy enough to sue a policeman for ten thousand berries? Why the I. W. W.'s, of course!

Bill and Bob have knocked over the wobbies so many times that they've lost track of the number. And every once in a while they just find themselves unconsciously heading for the wobbie headquarters on lower Mission Street. No Siree! The wobbies get no chance to hatch out any nest eggs while Bill and Bob are on the job!

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Patrolman Jim O'Donnell of the Harbor is one of the tallest men in the department. He stands six feet four inches in his regulation socks—which goes to show that good goods don't always come in small packages.

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Patrolman Tom Flynn at the Ferry is a bear when it comes to caring for lost children and getting confused old ladies started on their way to where they want to go. Sometimes it is a common sight to see Tom with a couple of kiddies who have lost their daddy or mommer, and it don't take the kiddies long to find that he is a friend.

The members of the Traffic Bureau have contested the statement made in the November number of Douglas 20 relative to Sergeant Jack Annear being the best checker player in the department and they wish to enter Traffic Officer Joseph McMahon into any tournament that can be arranged. There is no reason why a contest cannot be arranged among the players of the game in the department. Let the checker players get together and Douglas 20 will be glad to arrange for a series of games.

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The boys out at the Ingleside station are engaged in a great mathematical problem. But, let us tell the whole story. It seems that last month Officers George Clark and Jack O'Hara went down to Hollister where Clark told O'Hara there "were millions of quail." With a full supply of ammunition the boys started forth, first promising all the members of the Ingleside station a feast of the toothsome bird. They returned. The sum total of their trip was 11 birds, and now the watches are trying how to figure dividing 11 quail among 54 men. In the meantime O'Hara is telling how Clark missed every shot, and Clark is telling how O'Hara said he could not hunt quail without a horse.

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Motorcycle Officer Elmer Esperance says he has figured it out, that if a man is going ten miles through the city and cuts in and out of a line of traffic he will save two minutes. If he gets caught doing it he loses half an hour getting a tag and then two hours coming down and telling Captain Gleeson just how much of a hurry he was. And then maybe Judge McAtee fines him \$5.

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Captain Arthur Layne has one of the most varied districts in the west. In the Central district will be found the melting pot of the coast. The great financial district is on the south end of the district, the lowly fisherman on the north, while the commission houses on the east and the Chinese quarters on the near west with the most fashionable apartment house district and most exclusive hotels in the city can be found farther out to the west and southwest. The Italian Quarter, the French colony, the various Orientals all have places in the district. But for all this cosmopolitanism there is not as much lawbreaking as one would expect.

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The love lorn always go to Arthur Dolan's end of the Beach to attempt suicide as they are sure that Arthur Dolan will rescue them—they claim that Ed Pidgen allows them to go beyond the 3-mile bouy before swimming his horse out after them and they claim they are taking too much of a chance.

Great interest is being manifested over the coming high wheel bicycle race that is scheduled some time the coming year between Lieutenant John Fitzhenry in charge of the complaint office and Sergeant Arthur McQuaide in charge of the automobile detail.

Lieutenant Fitzhenry declares he can ride a mile while Sergeant McQuaide is getting astride of one of these old time bikes. Sergeant McQuaide comes back with the rejoinder that he bets the Lieutenant cant' get up on one of the high steeds. It ought to be a thrilling race.

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Patrolman Edward Manning of the Bush station probably knows more about the population of San Francisco than any policeman in the city, as he was one of the principal census takers in 1920.

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Officer Thomas Gibbons of the Harbor station is known as the "sheriff of Tuolumne", Tuolumne being where he formerly lived. Every once in a while a bunch of his old friends look him up at the Ferry and give him a buzz. The boys down at the big station say some of them carry bigger guns than Tom.

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Glenn Hughes, patrolman attached to the Harbor station is the Rudolph Valentino of the waterfront. He gets many a glance as the stenographers parade to and from the Ferry building.

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Patrolman Eddie Healy of the Park is doing some convalescence duty at headquarters. He says it seems nice to get down town for a change.

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Sergeant Fred Suttman of the Mission District who lives out at Parkside declares that his home section will be the favored residential district of the Park section, and that more automobiles pass along 19th Avenue in a week than any street in the city.

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Corporal Richmond Dobbins of the Richmond Station, the best authority on dramatics in the city, has been down to Los Angeles for a brief visit, his wife accompanying him.

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P. Raphael Maloney of the General Office is one of the most erudite men of the police dept. He is excelled by none as a linguist, talking Brannan street, Fistic and English fluently. Pete keeps a record of all the 4-rounders.

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Officer Jas. H. Kavanaugh, the Adonis of the Academy of Sciences, has recently purchased a beautiful ranch on shores of Clear Lake and will raise alfalfa, filaree sage, mortgages—and when the gaud comes in summer, hades.

"Order, please!" said Bailiff Joe McCarte in Police Judge O'Brien's court the other day.

The "booze-bo" in the dock who had been asleep, woke up with a jerk and gulped:

"I'll take tha' shame an' have somethin' yer-shelf!"

That's an old one but it happened two or three times. Joe says it just like the white-aproned angels used to say it in the days of yore.

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"Oh, we used to call 'em wine bums, before the States went dry,

"But now we call 'em 'Al-kees" and the limit is the sky."

Thus sang Policeman Frank Lane, Central Station, as he "poured" three "Al-kees" out of the wagon and into the City Prison elevator.

The question is: "When does prohibition begin?"

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The only difference so far as we have seen is that they used to book 'em as "Drunks" while now the booking reads, "Drunk in a Public Place."

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"Yes, indeed, this is the longest funeral procession I have ever seen," remarked Captain John J. O'Meara of the Mission Station, to an old Irishman with whom he was acquainted, during the recent funeral of a well-known public official.

"Sure, this is nothin' at all," said the Irishman.

"Is that so?" mused Captain O'Meara, "did you ever see a longer one?"

"Indeed, then, I did," said the other, accepting the challenge. 'Twas my grandfather's funeral in the old country. He was a well liked man, and let me tell you, now, after they had buried him it took three days for all of the carriages to pass out of the graveyard."

Needless to say, Captain O'Meara was speechless.

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"They ought to put that "Lie Detector" on some of the members of this department who come back from vacations and tell about all the trout they hooked and all the deer they shot down in cold blood," remarks Detective Sergeant James Mackey, Sr., with a wink of his weather-eye. "As it is now, game seems more plentiful than it was before Sitting Bull sat down."

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Captain Charles Goff of the Southern District has done more to make "South of the Slot" a safe place for strangers than any one man in recent years. Attracting as it does all classes of men, particularly the man out of work there is always a chance of some one committing a crime. But the record of crimes in the past few years has dwindled in the Southern District under Captain Goff.

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Policeman Joe Brouders of the Mission Station was doing traffic duty at Sixteenth and Valencia

Streets during the rush hour, when an overgrown flivver swung around and bowled Joe over. Joe jumped up, felt himself all over and surveyed the length of his uniform. Then he gave the driver of the machine a glassy stare.

"It's lucky for you young fellow that you didn't tear my new uniform," he said gruffly. "As it is you're pinched—but, if you had torn my new uniform I sure would have been mad."

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"Why is it that a guy will tell you that his car is geared up to do 90 miles an hour and when the same guy is pinched for speeding, swears his mother-in-law's life away that his old heap could not do more than thirty if he was being chased by a Chinese serpent?" Officer Pete Smith of the Traffic Bureau wants to know.

Derned if we can figure it out, Pete. Guess it's for the same reason that a guy will tell a competitor that he's doing a wonderful business and never knows there was so much money in the world before, and then, turns around and tells his wife and the income tax collector that he hears the well-known wolf howling in the distance and its getting closer every minute. He's just an all-around liar!

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When Officer Peter Fanning of the identification bureau looked up at B. F. Worth the other day he hit the telephone to Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson and asked that a requisition be put in at once for a step ladder. After he had measured Worth, Fanning found he was six feet and seven inches tall, the tallest man ever to be measured in the B. of I. Besides this he was a perfect specimen of manhood, being built in perfect proportion.

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Patrolman Harry Webb who was nudged by an auto truck some six months ago, and from which he sustained several broken ribs, fractured shoulder blade and injury to his backbone, turned up at the Harbor Station, December 1st. He said he might have been down but he was a long way from out.

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Sergeant Robert Silver of the Harbor district can tell the name of each ferryboat by its whistle.

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Sergeant William Lambert who was recently transferred from the North End Station to the Park says he can now tell a conservatory from an aviary.

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Sergeant Bill Deyuson, the Beau Brummell of the Park Station, has the grandest military figure in the Park District. Bill is some globe trotter, having at one time travelled to Sacramento and Rumor sayeth he has also been as far south as San Jose.

COOKING RECIPE CONTEST

Did you ever see a San Francisco policeman who looked like he did not have enough good food to eat?

Well, neither did we.

There must be a reason why all the local policemen look so well fed.

We will say there is a reason.

It is this: The women folk of the policemen's family realize that their men folks have a tough job. That they have a change of watches each week. That their meals are irregular, that their work demands that they have the proper food, and that they must at all times be in good physical condition. And these mothers, wives, sisters and sometimes daughters have given a lot of attention to feeding the policeman.

They give him plenty of properly cooked food, and a variety as well.

We are sure a lot of people would like to know how they do it, so, Douglas 20 is going to try and help those who want to know and exchange a few methods among the women members of the policeman's family.

To do this we are going to offer each month some cash prizes for recipes.

For the best one submitted and published each month we will give \$2.00 in cash. To the next three a dollar each.

So ladies send in your recipes for cooking anything from soup to dessert. For one particular dish, or a whole breakfast, lunch, dinner, or for a special feast.

Tell us how to cook corned beef and cabbage, or how to brown a turkey for Christmas. How to make a cake, or a pie, what kind of soup you think is the best, and you will get a prize if it is published.

This contest is limited to the members of policemen's families only, mother, sister, wife or daughter.

Douglas 20 will print four each month, and if yours is not in the first month it may be in the next.

Write on one side of the paper only and mail to the recipe editor of Douglas 20, Room 9, Hall of Justice.

Sign name and address and name of husband, and his rank.

As the starter says—"Let's go."

If policemen will kindly patronize the advertisers of Douglas 20 they will find they will not only get the best of treatment but they will be helping the magazine that is trying to help the policeman.

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PUBLIC SPIRIT

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Rolph, made a notable observation in a meeting of the Public Spirit Club, to the effect that one phase of Public Spirit, and not the least considerable, should be to support whole-heartedly and in a spirit of helpfulness all public servants, the humblest as well as those in the more exalted positions, to offer constructive suggestions rather than destructive criticisms, which, so often are based on misinformation or no information at all. As an interpolation it should be mentioned that the Mayor was rising to the defense of an incumbent of an elective office, who has served faithfully and well.

Nothing Finer Than Loyalty

Is there anything finer than loyalty? Have you ever thought of it in connection with public service. Loyalty and confidence go hand in hand. We must now have, and we must at all times have a man at the head of our city government in whom we have confidence. He appoints men as police commissioners in whom he has explicit confidence, and they name a Chief of Police, a man in whom they must have unbounded confidence, because he is the active head to whom the people look. He in turn depends upon every man subordinate to him—with confidence in their ability and integrity. Loyalty should follow confidence. Every one of us should have the same confidence, show the same loyalty to every man on the beat. He is our friend, helper, guardian, and he must be loyal to his Chief, and the Chief must be loyal to his superiors, and the commissioners and the Mayor must be loyal to us, the people who repose our confidence in them. With such a spirit of confidence, loyalty, and mutual help around the entire circle, should we not all get closer together and in a spirit of confidence and friendship work out our problems to the mutual advantage of all?

By the way, Chief Daniel O'Brien mentioned in one of our Club meetings that there were two certain ways to get arrested, one to tell the "cop" that he couldn't do it, and the other to dare him to. Your contributor has seen both ideas tried out unsuccessfully on numerous occasions and therefore feels that the remark deserves wider dissemination. Sometime it may keep a poor, misguided, over-confident, possibly over-stimulated young fellow out of the "hoos-gow". Thanks, Chief, we all made a mental note of that.

More Honest Men Than Crooks

Critics invariably harp on isolated instances. It is perfectly true the city does not exist and never has existed where corruption is unknown, but now, in our time, in our city, it is the exception. We do not expect to have a race of perfect men—for a long time—for a very long time. We have "cops" who are dishonest; we have lawyers who live in the shadow of the big stone house; we have doc-



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tors, bankers, merchants, men in all trades who are not guided solely by the principle of what is right and square, but, and please emphasize that "but", they are so few, so inconsequentially few, in comparison to the upright, honest, "mean-to-do-right" men that they are hardly to be considered, and would not be except for the fact that most unpleasant odors permeate. A nickel's worth of garlic will "out-smell" \$24 worth of American beauties.

Do you not think that we have enough to consider, to solve, in the way of great and important problems; disease, undeserved poverty, inherent criminal tendencies, racial and national prejudices that lead to war, and the individual problem ever before each of us to assure ourselves, "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness," without giving one thought, a second of our time, to lesser things; personal disparagements, unkind criticisms, picaresque thoughts of small-minded people and the bigotry of those who believe that we should all do and think as they do and think. Let us all think together, pull together, work together, in true public spirit, without thought of self, knowing that right must prevail and the law of compensation is immutable.

You, Mr. Mayor; you, Chief O'Brien, and you men of the Police Department, may rest assured that you have our confidence and loyalty, and we trust that you will always have it deservedly and retire from public service leaving a record that will be an inspiration for your successors.

Captain Bernard Judge in charge of the property clerk's office is telling a story of the meanest and stingiest man. "Barney" says: A man married a widow with five children. He was very close with his money and dealt out the pennies with ill grace, Christmas time came. He had not foreseen this disaster to his purse until a few days before the great holiday. He was greatly worried. He did not care to buy presents for the children so he devoted his time to finding a way of saving his money. When Christmas Eve came he had a great scheme hatched up. After the kiddies had been put to bed and before they were asleep he slipped out in the back yard and shot off a fire cracker and rushed into the house crying out "Santa Claus has just committed suicide." We maintain that this takes the fur lined bath tub for the meanest man contest.

No pistol or revolver shall be delivered on the day of application for the purchase and when delivered, shall be unloaded and securely wrapped unless the purchaser is personally known to the seller or shall present clear evidence of his identity. If the seller has reasonable cause to believe that the purchaser either is an unnaturalized foreign born person or an ex-convict.

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WIFE CAN'T PICK HUBBY'S POCKETS

*By CORPORAL MICHAEL RIORDAN, License Bureau
Clerk Who is Also Detailed by Chief O'Brien
to Keep a Check on All High Court Decisions*

In these days of progressive legislation tending toward the emancipation of our women folks in the political arena, it is interesting to note that some relief is also being given the men in the economic field by the decisions of our courts.

In a case of the People Vs. Graff—39—C. A. D.—487—decided on November 20th, 1922, by the California Appellate Court, Second Appellate District, Division Two, it is held that a wife may commit the crimes of embezzlement and forgery concerning the property of her husband as the expressions "any person," "every person" and "a person" in sections 470, 503, and 507 of the Penal Code in substance as well as form, includes both wives and husbands.

The case in question arose in Los Angeles county where the wife was informed against in two counts for the commission of the crime of embezzlement and in four counts for the commission of forgery. Under these counts the commission of the alleged offenses was stated to have been against the property and rights of defendant's husband. At the proper time, however, the defendant moved the trial court to set aside and quash the information which motion was granted. An appeal was taken by the People to the Appellate Court from the order granting the motion. The sole point offered in support of the defendant's motion was that a wife cannot commit the crimes of embezzlement and forgery if her alleged criminal acts concern the property of her husband. This contention was based upon the well known rule of the common law, founded upon the unity of the marriage relation to the effect that a wife cannot commit a crime against the property of her husband, and in the instant case the wife insisted that the common law rule mentioned still obtains in California.

After closely analyzing the law of this State and deciding that a wife was a "person" under said laws, the troubles of the Appellate Court were not over, because as it states, "some courts in other jurisdictions have found no great difficulty in deciding in the face of the very general terms of penal statutes that a wife may not be guilty of the larceny of her husband's property, this being upon the common law rule as to the unity of husband and wife, it being declared in those jurisdictions in effect if not by positive statement, that as to such offenses a wife is not a "person." In fact, the question presented in this case was never prior to its decision passed upon, apparently, in this jurisdiction.

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An armored car to be used for the transportation of large sums of money and securities has just been built to the order of the Mercantile Trust Company of California by the Chester N. Weaver Company, Studebaker Distributors.

The bandit-proof car, which is now in use, is mounted on a Studebaker Big Six chassis. In appearance the armored car does not look unlike the ordinary town car or limousine, but the bandit who attempts to hold it up on the assumption that it is just an ordinary automobile will get a surprise.

The entire body is built of armor plate, tested

that of any town car or limousine, with the exception that it is armored.

There is only one entrance to the rear compartment, and this is fitted with a triple lock. When closed and locked with an armed messenger inside it would take nothing less than a battery of artillery to break it open. The entire compartment, floor, sides and roof, are armor plate and the windows are of bullet-proof glass. Loopholes masked from the outside and protected from the inside by sliding pieces of armor plate, provide the messenger with holes from which he can shoot in any direction.



THIEVES HAVE NO CHANCE WITH THIS

The armored car built for the Mercantile Trust Company of California by Chester N. Weaver Company, Studebaker distributors. It is mounted on a Studebaker Big SIX chassis and can travel seventy-five miles per hour if necessary. The sides, floor and ceiling are of armor plate and the windows of bullet-proof glass. There is a fire-proof armor plate safe in the rear and a seat for an armed messenger. The photograph was taken in front of the Mercantile Trust Company at 464 California street. The gentlemen in the foreground are (left to right) Parker Maddux, Vice-President; Jesse B. Cook, Supt. Safety Deposit Department; Joseph A. Murphy, Asst. to the President and Wm. A. Marcus, Cashier for the Mercantile Trust Company of California.

and guaranteed to be proof against the highest caliber pistol or rifle. The windows, windshield and sidewings that protect the front or driver's compartment are made of the recently invented bullet-proof glass.

The body is divided into two compartments—a rear compartment in which a fireproof steel-armored safe has been built, and the front or driver's compartment. The rear compartment is spacious, light and airy. The safe is in the position ordinarily occupied by the rear seat. A bucket seat in front of this has been built for the messenger. The front compartment is similar to

Should anything happen to the driver while the car is in motion or at any other time the messenger in the rear compartment has complete control of the car through secret switches. A very loud police siren, controlled by a secret switch and secretly powered, provides additional protection by giving an alarm that may be heard many blocks distant.

The brake control is of the tandem type. The messenger in the rear compartment being able to operate it in the same way that it is operated by the driver.

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POLICE BASEBALL TEAM

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clean single. He was the first man to score a run, and was followed by the next three men up who also scored, they were Iredale, Flanagan and Hanley. Desmond scored two runs and made one hit. He played a swell game in left field, and made the big sensational catch of the day. He speared a hot one off the fence, when three men were on bases.

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Iredale, captain of the team, played a steady game at second accepting many chances without a bobble. He scored two runs and registered two hits.

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"Marty" Murphy, brother of Chief Thomas Murphy, and known as the "noblest Roman of them all", who at 47 years of age, has played baseball for 25 years, never slowed up during the entire nine innings. He played errorless ball in right field, and was robbed of hits by sensational catches by the policemen.

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O'Shaughnessy of the firemen put up a high class of baseball at shortstop. He certainly cut off many hits for the policemen by his fast work in scooping up hot grounders.

Maloney, O'Shaughnessy, Penge and Rhodes of the Firemen each gathered two hits.

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"Steamboat" Flanagan of the police team captured a few fast liners along third base, shutting off runs at the plate. He accumulated a single and a two bagger. He has been dubbed the Babe Ruth of the Police team, being the heavy sticker of the nine.

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While the firemen got 11 hits off Kelly he kept the red coats from hitting when it would have been dangerous for hits to be made. He made a hit that scored a run.

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The San Francisco Police baseball team is made up of the following members of the department:

Lieutenant John J. Casey, manager, Sergeant Emmet Moore, Co. E, Sergeant Grover Coats, Co. J, Patrolman John Hanley, Co. F, Charles Iredale, Co. G, Charles "Steamboat" Flanagan, Co. G, Pat. Olson, Co. I, Ed. T. Moriarity, Co. G, Sydney Desmond, Headquarters Company, David "Truck" Williams, Co. A, Chris Powell, Catcher, Reynolds Kelly, pitcher, Antone Lazzeri, shortstop.

Some of these boys have had big league experience and in our coast league among them are Desmond who was in spring training with the San Francisco ball club.

Flanagan was cleanup man for Duffy Lewis' team in the navy during the war and played with the St. Louis Nationals.



Iredale played with Seattle in the Coast League.

Hanley made a hit with the Mission league as first baseman.

The other members of the team have been playing high class ball about the city and they have given a splendid account of themselves in the present league.

ARMORED CAR FOR BANK IS BUILT IN SAN FRANCISCO

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Several other banks and large companies which make periodical collections of large sums of money throughout the city are now considering various types of armored cars, according to the Chester N. Weaver Company.

The complete car, including armor plate and safe, only weighs 4450 pounds. With the Studebaker Big SIX 60-horsepower motor, a speed of seventy-five miles per hour can be maintained if necessary.

The car was built under the direction of Police Commissioner Jesse B. Cook, who is superintendent of the safety deposit vault department of the Mercantile Trust Company of California. Bank officials who have examined the car praise its design and express the opinion that it provides absolute security for valuables while in transit.

Andy Briggs Champion Special

By LESLIE C. GILLEN

Andy Briggs is the champion special policeman of San Francisco.

Chief Daniel O'Brien says he is, and if you think there's any room for argument, well, you have just got to get acquainted with Andy, that's all.

To begin with, Andy is 65 years of age, but that is the least of his cares. Andy and old Father Time don't seem to be acquainted. Next, Andy isn't as tall or as broad as Goliath, the gent who took the count when he faced a lightweight by the name of David. But that doesn't matter, either. Courage makes all men equal, somebody or other once said, and he must have had Andy Briggs in mind when he said it.

Andy has had more thrills in his life than Captain Kidd's old pirate crew with all the plundering and murdering that went on in the days of the Spanish Main before there were any police launches and sawed-off shotguns.

Andy came here from Ireland a boy of 13, about the year '73, and before he reached the age that he might have frequented poolrooms if he so desired, he took up Indian fighting as a pass time. Andy fought "Injuns" in Idaho, Montana and Wyoming and later in Colorado and Nevada. Among other famous Indian fighters, Andy fought under the command of the famed "one-armed" General O. O. Hard, and he was on the firing line when the notorious Indian chief, Joseph Neypere was licked and captured. Twice Andy was decorated for bravery during the Indian engagements. Between times Andy did various things, but whenever he found himself out of a job or in want of something to do, it seems he took up fighting the "Injuns" again.

Saves Man From Drowning

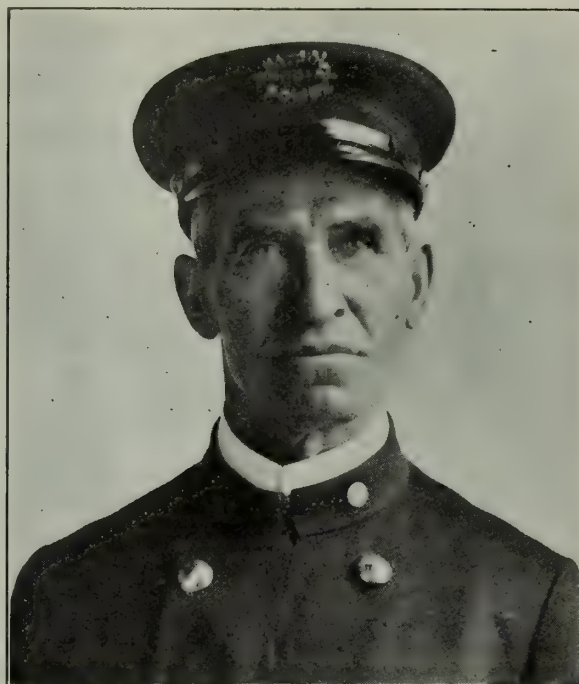
Andy was a member of Second Regiment, National Guard in '87, under the command of General Diamond, and during the State encampment of that regiment in the Russian River country, he got a chance to win another medal. The date, to be exact, was July 6, 1897. Two members of Andy's company went for a dip in the river, then a swift-flowing, wild stream, and before many minutes passed were helpless in the current.

Andy plunged in after the two drowning men and after nearly forty minutes' struggle, succeeded in bringing both men ashore. One survived but the other was too far gone and died.

For this, Andy was presented with a gold medal in December of the same year at Healdsburg. The countryside turned out—for Andy's fame had been widespread,—and the medal was presented

by no less a personage than Governor Waterman, who was in office at that time.

Twenty-one years ago, during the second term of the famous Chief of Police Patrick Crowley, Andy Briggs was a member of the regular Police Department of San Francisco. Indeed, he was a member of the department for eight years, working on some of the celebrated criminal cases of the time, but resigned from the department at the



ANDY BRIGGS

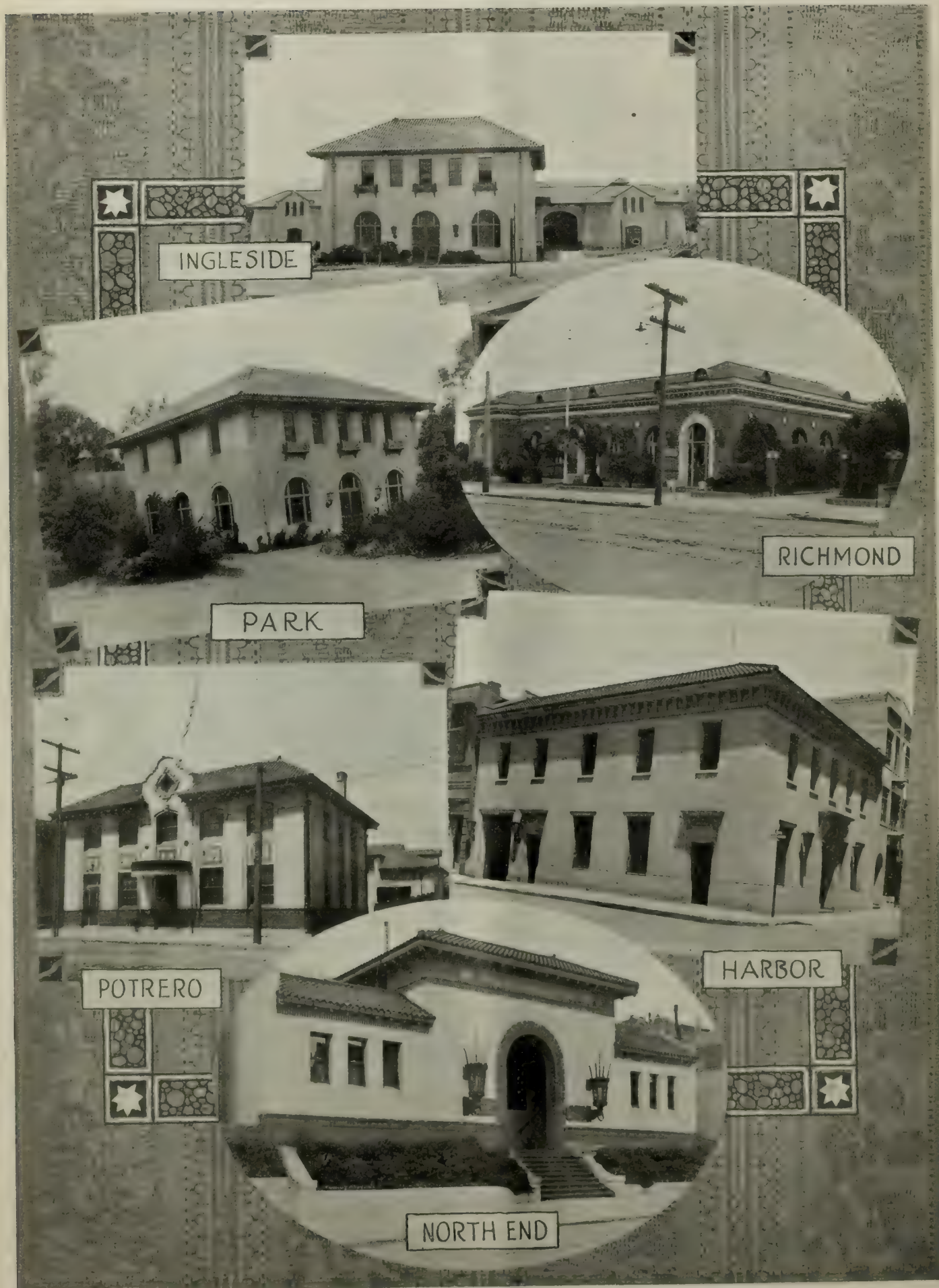
time Chief Crowley retired, because he could do better as a special.

Becomes Patrol Special

And this brings our meager biography, which really is not a biography at all but merely a few sketches of the life of Andy Briggs, almost up to date—that is, brings it up to sixteen years ago when Andy became a patrol special in the Jordan Tract.

The Jordan Tract, as every San Franciscan knows, is comprised of some of the most elegant private residences of the city, and therefore, it can be appreciated that Andy has had his responsibilities patrolling this district night after night for sixteen years. In the course of that time Andy has "brought in" exactly seven criminals with desperate records. But, withal, Andy has found time to win the friendship of every resident of the tract and in particular the children. In recent years the Jordan Park Boys' Club was formed and Andy has always been a welcome

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Police Traffic Experts Meet

For the first time in the history of the state the powers who make laws affecting automobile traffic have called upon the police to assist in drafting proposed changes in the motor vehicle laws of California.

Chiefs of police, sheriffs, heads of traffic bureaus, and others having to do with enforcing traffic laws were invited to a conference held in Sacramento for three days beginning Dec. 11. The conference was called by the legislative committee of the coming legislature, Superintendent of the State Motor Department Chenu, representatives from the Commonwealth Clubs, and the League of Municipalities attended.

From San Francisco Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien, and Captain Henry Gleeson attended. While Commissioner Colburn, Chief of Police Drew and Sergeant Hempil of the motor squad of Oakland represented our sister city.

Prior to this meeting there was held in this city earlier in the month a conference of traffic enforcement officers from the state, with a representative of the San Francisco Commonwealth Club, and some judges and justices of the peace. Chief O'Brien presided.

CHANGES IN DETECTIVE BUREAU

Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson after conferring with Chief of Police O'Brien has made a radical change in the detective bureau and one that it is believed will be of material benefit as far as increasing the efficiency of the Bureau.

Captain Matheson has done away with taking men off cases and assigning them to office duty during the three watches.

For years it has been the custom to detail two detectives on the three shifts, picking them from the general body of the bureau. This has often interfered with the investigation the detective might have under way, particularly if it was an important case.

Under the new order of things men will be detailed to permanent office duty.

Four detective sergeants, who have been connected with the police department for 25 years or more have been placed in charge of the 8 to 4 watch. They are Detective Sergeants Thomas Murphy, James Mackey, Patrick O'Connell and Dan Driscoll.

For the two night watches four young men have been brought into the bureau. They are

Laws Drawn Up Good

This meeting lasted all day and the changes in the traffic law that were believed necessary were presented and amendments agreed upon and when they were presented at the Sacramento conference they were all adopted. The peace officers were congratulated on the thought that had been given to the amendments that will be presented to the legislature, and all the delegates from various parts of the State were harmonious on all points brought up. Those present were:

District Attorney H. E. Wilson, Fresno; Captain W. F., Los Angeles; E. McClusky, Madera; J. B. Logan, Menlo Park; G. L. Kilburn, San Luis Obispo, Sheriff A. A. Morrison and J. A. Morrison, Modesto; C. D. Reade, San Jose; O. G. Overturf, Mayfield; L. S. Bond, Burlingame; J. H. Quinlan, Half Moon Bay; Chief A. G. Meehan, San Bruno; H. N. Noble, chief of Palo Alto; Chief J. T. Drew, Oakland; Wm. Hempil, Oakland; Chief August Vollmer, Berkeley; Capt. Dundas, chief Sacramento; G. E. Kimball, Chief O'Brien, Captain Henry Gleeson, Captain Mathewson, Judge McAtee, Judge Jacks, Judge O'Brien, Judge Lazarus, of San Francisco.

Ed. Jones of the Bush, James M. R. Hayes of the Mission, Otto Frederickson of the Bush and James Johnson of the Harbor. The first two follow the detail of Corporal B. J. McDonald in charge of the detective bureau office, and the latter two change with Corporal Emmett Hogan.

It is the intention of Captain Matheson after working out the matter with Chief O'Brien to assign all new members appointed to the bureau to the night office detail. When there is a vacancy in the bureau this vacancy will be filled by one of the permanent office men who has made good. The detective having the best record of efficiency to his credit will get the place vacant.

With the appointment when the new city charter amendment goes into effect of many more detective sergeants it will be an incentive for the young man placed in the detective bureau to work the harder that he may qualify for a higher rating.

Traffic Officer Elmer Esperance arrested Robert Boyce, Dec. 4 at Powell and Market Streets. Boyce was wanted in connection with the shooting of J. Hickey, Oct. 27 at Sixteenth Avenue and Lake Street. Esperance recognized Boyce from a description given out after the shooting.

POLICE TRAINING

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there taught the principles of criminal law. He should be familiar with the various kinds of criminal warrants, be able to correctly draw a criminal complaint, be familiar with crimes and misdemeanors and understand his duty in relation to them.

He should then be sent to the Bureau of Criminal Identification and taught the various methods of identifying criminals, the knowledge of how to make a police investigation of committed crimes, and trained in police observation. He should be able to accurately describe conditions and to give a scientific description of the human face. He should be familiar with the jargon of criminals and crime classifications.

He should be trained in the use of the weapons he is called upon to use and after these preliminaries he should be turned over to a well trained officer for his post graduate course, who would take him out on his beat and teach him the practical application of the theories that have been imparted to him, before he is permitted to take over the important duties of his calling.

The police department is an index of the morals of the city. If a department is inefficient or corrupt it is because the city is careless of its civic responsibility and its citizens fail to appreciate the duty they owe to one of the most important functions of government, obedience to law.

The police department is called upon to enforce the law, it comes in close touch with the family and the home, it reaches down in the gutter and lifts up some poor, neglected urchin and gives him a chance in the battle of life, it reaches up to places of trust and power and pulls down the unworthy, it is the conservator of morals and the guardian of public peace.

The dignity and usefulness of the police department is the business of the public. The public should first obey the law itself and then insist that its public officials carry out to the fullest extent that oath of office that is only too often a mere matter of form.

To that end see to it that the police officers are properly trained, properly paid and properly supported. Criticism of the police department is often unfair and when reduced to lowest terms only shows public neglect and the failure, not the police, but the public whose citizenry fail to do its duty to one of the most important departments of civic life.

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The Cub Reporter

By FRED V. WILLIAMS, Feature Writer for the News Who Has Done More Stunt Stories Than Any Newspaper man in the city, among them doing Police Duty with the Local Department



FRED V. WILLIAMS

There were patches on the cub reporter's pants.

He felt them keenly when the city editor sent him out to cover the swell hotels downtown.

But as yet the cub hadn't reached the point of affluence where he could afford a new suit every six months.

The cub looked with envy on the stars in the glory of their smart tailoring.

Somehow people seemed to treat them differently.

And that has to do with this little story.

The city editor received a message from the publisher. The publisher's friend was in town. He was stopping at an exclusive club.

"Send a good man down to the Roman Club and get a good story out of Mr. Barks," read the publisher's note. "He's waiting for you. A friend of mine. And he likes publicity. I want to humor him."

The city editor looked up. A good man? The good men were all out. Only the cub remained.

"Come here," said the city editor not unkindly. He felt sorry for the cub. The cub earned \$12 a week. And he supported a mother and a sister on it. This was some years ago by the way. Things like that aren't done now—by cubs or any one else on \$12 a week.

"Go over to the Roman club," said the city editor. "Interview a Mr. Barks. He's a big oil man. Friend of the boss. Try and put it on pretty. It's dirty work. But it's got to be done."

The city editor watched the cub as he went out to cover his assignment and called him back.

"The patch is coming off the seat of your pants again," he said quietly. "Here's a pin. See what you can do with it."

The cub flushed. And retired.

The scene changes to the palatial lobby of the Roman club. Bell hops in brass buttons. Heavy draperies. All that sort of thing.

The cub reporter as he entered the club was impressed by the magnificence of it all. You see he hadn't been in the newspaper game very long.

"I want to see Mr. Barks," he said. "I'm —," and named his paper.

The bell hop smiled. He took in the youth's shabby attire.

"Mr. Barks is at lunch," he said in fine scorn.

"He sent for me," countered the cub. The bell hop retired and returned. Smiling he escorted the cub into a big dining room, aglitter with silver against the snow white of spotless linen.

Mr. Barks looked up from his luncheon with a fixed smile ready to greet the star sent down to interview him. The smile faded from his face. This was no star. This was a cub. A youngster. A cheapling. A \$12 a week man.

The man he had been sent to interview shot a withering glance of contempt at the cub. The cub melted under it.

"So," sneered Mr. Barks, "You're THE REPORTER the paper sent down to interview me, eh?"

There was emphasis on THE REPORTER. The cub felt as well as heard it.

"Yes sir," he replied timidly. He was so young in his game.

"Sit down," snarled Mr. Barks. The waiters grinned behind their hands. The cub winced under their scorn.

"How long you been a newspaperman? Or are you a newspaperman?" flashed Mr. Barks. "I had a good story for your paper. I don't know whether you are competent to handle it."

The cub was confused. He mumbled a reply. As a matter of fact he wasn't quite competent to handle a big story. But he was willing to do his best.

"This is what I had to give you," growled Mr. Barks. The cub fingered for his pencil. Horrors! He had none. He mustered courage to borrow one from Mr. Barks. The latter flung it at him contemptuously across the table.

Out of the corner of his eyes he saw a group of waiters who were interested spectators of his humiliation. Mr. Barks was making capital of him for their benefit.

Then and there the blood of an old skipper of the clipper ships of long ago—his grand dad by the way—flared up and pounded through his veins. He was no longer ashamed. He was no longer afraid. He looked his man defiantly in the eye. And to himself he said:

"It may take me 10 years, but I'll make you pay for this."

The interview ended. The cub stumbled out of the club. He pounded back to the office. Tears of rage filled his eyes. The city editor looked up.

"What's the matter kid?" he asked. And the cub sobbed out his story.

"The d..... snob," muttered the city editor. "Don't write a line. To h..... with him. I won't take that kind of stuff for my men from anybody."

Years passed. And in those years many changes for the cub. He was a cub no longer. He was a star. Over the city he flashed and covered the best yarns that broke.

There were no longer patches in his pants. He numbered his friends by the hundreds. Police-men, federal men, judges he knew by their first name, jailers his pals, politicians his friends. Life was an open book. The Great a joke. Confidence had taken the place of fear.

Then one day—a Saturday afternoon when the world of affairs slowed down to gather speed for a new week—a call to the "federal beat."

Grand jury indictments. Big men in the net. Scandal. The kind of stuff the public feeds on. And the cub, now star, in the full hue and cry of it.

A deputy loitered at the door to the marshall's office. He gave hearty greeting to the star. In a few words he had whispered the story into his ear, whispered because beyond, a few feet in the office sat the center of the whole mess.

"We nabbed him first. He's the president of the concern. They're getting bail for him now. I'd of locked him up, but he's a big man and got a lot of pull you know."

"I'll look him over and see if he'll talk," said the star.

The star stepped into the room. The deputy remained at the door. The defendant de luxe wheeled in his chair. He nodded curtly. The star turned back.

"Bert," he said to the deputy. "Bert I'm going to ask you to do me a little favor."

"What's that?"

"Lock that 'bird' up if it's only for an hour."

"But his bondsmen will be here in half an hour or so."

"Doesn't matter. Lock him up. I am asking you to do this for me."

The marshall hesitated. Finally he replied:

"All right. If you say so. But I told you he is a big man."

The star heard the defendant protest loudly and deeply and smiled. The two passed him in the hall. He followed them to the jail. And there while the man was being booked he picked up a phone and sent in his story on him.

The prisoner flushed an angry red.

"Here you," he blustered. But the jailer led him away.

The star dictated his story. He put all the skill of years into its recital. It was not so much what he said as the way it read between the lines.

When he was finished the star strolled into the federal wing and peered through the bars at a

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lone prisoner. The prisoner started and looked up. He recognized the reporter he had seen in the marshal's office; the man who had later phoned the story at the jail.

"Say who the h..... are you?" he blurted. "What's your interest in this case anyway I'd like to know?"

The star removed his hat.

"I'm acting in the interests of a cub reporter some 10 years ago," he replied quietly. "He was the young man with patches in his pants you made sport of in the Roman Club. Remember?"

The prisoner took one long look at the star and exclaimed:

"Well I'll be d.....!"

He remembered all right.

Which brings us to the moral of this story. Never "ride" a cub. He may become an old hand in his business some day.

POLICE CO-OPERATION

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that is being done and stated that this condition was brought about by the close co-operation between the various companies and bureaus of the department acting toward a common end.

Indeed, he did not ask me to take his word for that statement, but immediately delved into his baskets which lie on his table and wherein records are kept for his personal information. With him I reviewed the various crimes committed in each police district of San Francisco. It is almost amazing to note the accuracy with which he has recorded the felonies which are committed here each day and totaled every week. Should any citizen interested in San Francisco desire to be statistically informed regarding police conditions in San Francisco I would suggest that he make an appointment with the Chief as he states that he is always ready and willing to go into the matter with anyone interested in the same. His office records are supplemented by a map of the city and county upon which are placed pins of various colors showing the exact locations in this city where crimes are committed from day to day. At first, I thought he was showing me a record of the trench system of the last world war, but I was much enlightened when he explained to me that the pins showing the operations of the crimes are placed daily and in this manner the members of the department and more particularly, the members of the detective bureau, know definitely where to look for the criminal.

Upon leaving Chief O'Brien's office after my interview I felt satisfied that his oft-repeated statement "that San Francisco has the best police department in the world" is no vain boast.

The Chief promised me that for the next issue of "Douglas 20" he would furnish me with news concerning the California Peace Officers Association.

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"OF SUCH STUFF ARE HEROES MADE"

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and the young woman had ventured out on the Olympic pier and the breakers washed the latter into the surf. Ochoa leaped in after her but was helpless in the rough waters.

At the meeting of the Police Commission the Monday night, the four commissioners voted Dolan \$170 or the equivalent of one month's pay, approved his application for meritorious service credits and recommended him for the Carnegie Life Saving Medal, at the request of Captain John Mooney.

Mayor James Rolph, the consul general for Mexico, and scores of other persons have written letters to Dolan, thanking and commending him for his bravery.

And what does Dolan, himself, say about it?

"I'm sorry the man did not live. What I did anyone would do, seeing fellow humans struggling for their lives. People have been wonderful to me about this. That \$170 extra surely means a lot to Mrs. Dolan and the five kiddies. Right before Christmas, too. Isn't it great! But I must split honors with my horse, Don. He's the greatest that ever lived. And for past performances, I want to share honors with Police Officer Ed. Pidgeon. Ed's on the other end of the beach. He's been on the beat longer than myself and Ed sure has done plenty in the same line of work. Ed and I are fifty-fifty, as they say."

Before he was assigned to the beach 12 years ago, Dolan patrolled the entire western addition from Presidio Avenue to the beach by night. He carries a scar under his left eye from a bullet wound received one night in an encounter with two safecrackers in Laurel Hill Cemetery in 1909. The desperate pair were Joe Riordan and Frank Gorman, known as the "hundred thousand dollar yeggs." They shot the horse from under Dolan but he wounded both of them.

Recounting his past experiences in life saving Dolan can only remember a few cases:

"There was the young Jewish violinist and his mother who entered in a suicide pact and jumped off Lincoln Point at Land's End. I pulled the mother out with my hands and I lassoed the boy. They both recovered. Then there was the fellow who got into a cliff at Land's End because he had a cancer of the nose. He was waiting for the tide to come up and take him out. I took him out instead. Then there was the young mother unhappily married, who left her baby on the beach and waded in. The current carried her down to the Olympic pier. I jumped off there and got her. She's back east now, with her wealthy family and she still writes to me. Oh, I'm afraid I can't remember them all without looking at Mrs. Dolan's scrap book."

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ANDY BRIGGS

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guest in the club rooms. In appreciation of the hospitality extended him, Andy frequently recounts to his young hosts the most hair-raising tales of his experiences during the Indian campaigns.

One night several weeks ago, Andy was trudging along his beat in the dead of night when he espied two men in the doorway of a residence at 42 Palm avenue. He approached stealthily and perceived that they were attempting to jimmy the front door. Before he could get close to them they discovered him and opened fire. Andy never gave any ground. He had been up against just such a thing before and he stood and exchanged shots with the pair until a bullet pierced his cheek and lips and his pistol was emptied.

The burglars got away but they had not accomplished their purpose. Andy went to a hospital. He was only slightly wounded and a few nights later he was back on his beat again.

A man who is popular with kids is pretty near O. K. with everyone else in the world. Grown folks have respect for the instinct and intuition of children. Politicians realized this years ago. And it is obvious, therefore, how it happened that after Andy got back to work that he was advised that the Jordan Park Boys' Club and the grown residents of his district desired his presence in the club rooms on a certain night in order that they might give him a small token of their appreciation for his faithfulness.

Andy was swelled with pride and immediately got in touch with Chief O'Brien.

"I'm going to be there, Andy," said the Chief.

Nearly every resident of the district was there that night and several gave fitting addresses in which they told how they had known the kindly old officer, his bravery and his Indian stories since they were children. And finally it developed that the purpose of the meeting was to present Andy with a gold star and a gold watch.

The presentation was made by Chief O'Brien, and the most important and most sincere words he spoke in making the presentation were:

"Andy is the champion special policeman of San Francisco. I wish I had a hundred Andy Briggs' in the regular department."

Andy's ears were red with embarrassment. He mumbled some unintelligible words of thanks and went out to patrol his beat. And just for good luck he arrested a suspicious character whom he found loitering about Euclid avenue. The suspect had a revolver, flashlight and jimmy on his person and the following day a search of the records developed that he likewise had a record in an eastern penitentiary.

WIFE CAN'T PICK HUBBY'S POCKET

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In those cases in other jurisdictions in which it has been determined that the crime is larceny, etc., may not be committed by one spouse against the other, the sanctity of the marriage relation was given as the reason for so holding. The position taken by the other courts is that the peace of the home would be destroyed if husbands and wives may be charged with the commission of crimes against the property of each other, and it is said that it was better to permit the escape from punishment of a husband or wife who robs a spouse than to encourage the dissention which would enter a family if a criminal charge could be pressed against the thief. It is said in effect that the commission of such a theft would have a slight tendency to produce a war-fare internecine to the family, while the pressure of a criminal charge because of the immoral act would cause a disruption of the marital relation. From the doctrine just mentioned our Appellate Court positively dissents. It states, "We cannot adopt such a line of reasoning. We cannot believe that such events can be so smothered in the family circle that no ripple, or that but a slight ripple, will disturb the serenity of the home. A spouse will not lightly forgive a robbery committed against him by his marital partner, and a home in which one of the partners will steal the property of the other cannot be regarded as one resting on a particularly solid foundation."

Indeed, the court takes into consideration the delicacy of the question involved and its effect upon future generations. Quoting from the opinion it states, "In passing upon the question involved in this appeal we cannot but contemplate the effect upon society if our decision should be favorable to respondent. Such a termination of the cause would advertise to the world the fact that wives may rob their husbands with impunity, that they may commit against their husbands inherently immoral acts which if committed by them against other or if committed by other against their husbands would bring down condign punishment upon the offender under the laws denouncing the serious crimes of embezzlement and forgery. Such a conclusion on our part could not but encourage and multiply the commission of such acts, thus bringing into some household at least the very strife and dissention which it is the purpose of some of the decided cases to sound and illogical."

So, husbands, be of good cheer, the day of your liberation is at hand; no longer will you be required to place the purse under the pillow that rests your weary head, and be awakened by the cause of the apprehension that your better half may be "robbing the male."

THE NEW WORLD'S WAR

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barcadero, California, Van Ness Ave., 11th and Howard Streets, an area of less than Manhattan.

This wedge shaped area appears as follows:

We are not boastful when he claim that at no far distant day the suburbs of our city will be known as the boroughs of the Potrero, the Mission, the Ingleside, the Sunset, the Richmond, the North Valley and the North Hills and that great section west of Van Ness Avenue containing Fillmore Street, etc.

Each of these communities are knocking at the doors of the Police Department demanding attention to traffic problems, brought about by population and commercial business.

Their needs cannot be evaded nor denied much longer.

Let us glance at this situation and see only too plainly how the financial, commercial and shopping districts are fed by our boroughs and their population which every day's increase spells congestion and finally—unless steps are taken at once to provide expansion for traffic within this area of ground, the great business of our city has stunted itself defying time to remove it, we can expect that this condition will exist long after the increase of our city to a population of 1,500,000 of people.

The great masters of finance, law of engineering, of commercial interests, and the hundreds of thousands of citizens dependent upon them flow back and forth in this area each day from the suburbs and cities that surround us like those of New York City.

If we are to believe and give heed to the statements of financiers that we should prepare for the great Oriental business that will make the city of San Francisco the greatest commercial city of the country and perhaps of the world, we are justified in preparing to set our house in order and to deserve sure reproach should we fail to give timely heed, after being forewarned.

It is declared by all travelers of the world that San Francisco presents in its topography and streets a most unusual series of problems to the advancing army of population and commercial business.

Many times I have heard these statements but like many others have heeded not—since my short period as a student of traffic conditions, I realize the great potency of the warnings so often and diplomatically given, and I am anxious that I might carry my convictions to my comrades and to the people that they will awake to the great necessity of becoming learned in the traffic problems of our city.

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roadways to the south and the north and the erection of bridges to span our great bay, it cannot be denied that our city will grow to a million and a half in population and that the problem of moving and standing traffic will require the best efficiency that can be found, or developed. That great sums of money shall be required to build elevated viaducts, sidewalks, subways, tunnels and every modern marvel of engineering skill, besides providing for traffic signals at every intersection of national standardized pattern, and a great force of highly trained traffic officers to control a great vehicle and pedestrian problem.

I am informed by a most reliable authority that there is 4,638,000 square feet of occupied office space above the ground floor of buildings in our city with a population of 671,000, more than exists in the city of Cleveland, which is reported as having an occupied office space of 4,377,290 square feet including their ground floor space—and this with a population of a million and a quarter of people. This city of Cleveland has a big force of traffic officers.

With these thoughts uppermost in mind, believing in the great future and growth of San Francisco, I would urge that every member of the Police Department give thought and study to our traffic problems—somewhere in our ranks are many officers who will be called upon to assist in the handling of the coming traffic problems.

Some day, and that day is not so far in the future that the present traffic command will be, like those of other great cities, a traffic division. ly\$ffi.fessff- down

The opportunities will be many under the inevitable increase of the traffic command.

It is an absorbing study and a vital problem, that calls for the best thought of every member of the Department.

OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT OF 1889

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There was much dissatisfaction when I first became a commissioner about the way bail was returned to those who put up money to get their freedom pending a trial in the courts. Finally I was able to have this condition changed so that a man could get his money back as soon as his case was disposed of.

Previously a man was stalled off and treated so discourteously and put to so much trouble that many finally stopped trying. Under the new system a man was treated courteously and he got his money as soon as he was entitled to it.

Another rule that was introduced while I was a commissioner was that no police officer could stand on a corner for more than two minutes. He had to patrol his beat, and this made a decided hit with the people.

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WIDOWS AND ORPHANS ASS'N ELECTS

The election of Officers of the Police Widows and Orphans' Association Friday, December 8, for the ensuing term was one of the most spirited that has marked the annual selection of the association for years.

The largest vote recorded in the new Hall of Justice by the policemen was cast at the election.



WILLIAM C. GILMORE

There was a spirited contest for vice president between Patrolman John J. Lyons and Gene Egan. Lyons won out.

Another contest was for trustee. A tie on the first count developed between Officer Jack Ryan and Officer James McDermott. A recount was had and Ryan pulled a Wright act victory, when a mistake was found in a block of votes and he walked in 9 to the good.

All the candidates for trustees had posters out setting forth platforms that were comical as well as saddening, as some of them facetiously promised the repeal of the big dry act so that cider and buttermilk could be served in tamale wagons.

The result of the election was as follows:

William Gilmore, president.

John J. Lyons, vice-president.

David Murphy, treasurer.

George Kopman, recording secretary.

William Boyle, financial secretary.

John Ryan, J. J. Cummings, Griffith Kennedy, Jack Mangin and Silbert Chase, trustees.

William Gilmore, elected president, is attached to the office of Sergeant Arthur McQuaide of the automobile detail, having charge of the records of the office. He has always maintained a keen interest in the affairs of the Widows and Orphans Association and has served as trustee and vice president.

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Another thing I might say is that during my time 75 per cent of the police department was made up of Native Sons, which we found were of a higher type of intelligence than the 25 per cent outsiders, for we found that the Native Sons had more education, and I know that education is one of the greatest things in making a policeman.

In my travels I have visited all American cities, and the one thing I always pay strict attention to, knowing something about the subject, is the police departments, and I know that San Francisco has got the greatest chief of police, in America, and his name is Dan O'Brien.

His department is equalled by none in this country for appearance, attention to duty, courtesy, honesty, physical or moral courage, training, education or mental and physical ability.

In fact we have beside our chief of police and his department other different positions in San Francisco that no other American city has in public life.

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Our mayor is the greatest mayor any American city has had in thirty years, and if the people would only stop to think what he has done for this city and how he has put us on the map, he would never have a dissenting vote, and the people should insist he be kept at the head of our city government just as competent men are kept at the head of corporations.

On our police commission we have four men the equal of which no such board in this country can boast of. Honest, loyal to their city, their integrity of the highest, trying all the time to give the people the highest efficiency in police service, they are a credit to this or any other city.

Our fire department is equalled by no other such department except the New York fire fighters.

I have always been strong for the police department of San Francisco, am still and always will be. I have seen it double in size in the past 25 years or more, and have seen it develop into one of the greatest bodies of protection this or any other city has ever had.

Patrolman Franklin K. Lane of the Central District says about the most comical thing he can imagine is Patrolman Harry Gurtler learning to play a Ukulele.

CAPTAIN MATHESON

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eign born persons, or to any person convicted of a felony; such permits shall not be issued, except for each calendar year. Shall bear the name, address, description, signature and left thumb print, of the person securing the permit, the original permit shall be kept in the office of the person or persons issuing the same, one duplicate shall be sent to the State Bureau of Criminal Identification and one duplicate shall be kept by the person obtaining the permit. A fee of one dollar shall be charged for the permit.

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Whoever within the State of California, without being licensed as hereinafter provided sells, advertises, or exposes for sale or has in his possession with intent to sell, pistols or revolvers shall be punished by imprisonment in the State Prison for not less than one year.

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Besides being a speed burner in shorthand, he's a speed burner in that article of hardware or tinware known as a "Ford." Besides tinkering around with his Ford he has the hobby of rifle shooting for we learn that he is identified with the National Rifle Association of the War Department as a Life Member thereof. He has a host of very eminent friends in military, political and civil life, and is ever acquiring more of them through his most genial disposition.

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and that he advise her as to where such a clinic is maintained.

In a clinic such as this will be found the trouble which hinders the boy from keeping up with his studies, for which, perhaps, he has neither the inclination, the capacity, nor the ability to absorb. Here an effort is made to ascertain his bent, and his energies directed toward acquiring a manual trade or something of a constructive character.

Playgrounds and Jail

Another suggestion is the acquiring of space for use as playgrounds. It is far cheaper to maintain a playground than it is to keep a jail. A short time ago a statement was made by the President of the Playground Commission of this City, Rev. D. O. Crowley, that a close study had shown that where playgrounds were put in operation, crime diminished forty per cent. The breaking up of the gang is accomplished by this method, and the spirit of friendly rivalry, which is engendered in supervised games, makes for honesty in dealing with one another, and eventually leads to good citizenship.

One of the most pleasing sights and encouraging signs of the times that presented itself to me in a recent visit to New York City was that there were certain streets set aside, closed to vehicular traffic, and at the ends of the blocks were signs "Closed by Order of Mayor Hylan." In these wide streets, children were permitted to come and play to their hearts' content.

The Boy Scout movement has been a power in attracting the energies of boys into channels which react most beneficially upon them. If a careful physical and psychological examination were made upon all applicants for probation and parole, I think much of the adverse criticism and reproach that is cast upon both of these systems might be avoided. Probation should be denied to one who employs a weapon in the commission of crime, and parole be denied to one who employs any form of violence in his criminal act. It should be denied to the confirmed drug addict. There should be a trained psychologist upon the State Prison Boards and Parole Boards, a man who would have equal power with and not working under others, whose sole qualification for the position is of rendering political service to the power that appoints them. But as long as the State and civic authorities prefer to spend money for the upkeep of correctional and punitive institutions and less for the care of the individuals who is unable to look after himself, and as Gluck has shown, 49% of recidivists are of this type, just so long for the protection of society must we apprehend the criminal and place him in custody.

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Safe Burglary, With Explosives

By CAPTAIN OF DETECTIVES DUNCAN MATHESON, *Whose 23 Years in Police Work Has Made Him a National Figure in Detection of Criminals*

Safe burglary as a pastime ceased in California, when a new section was added to the Penal Code as follows:

"Any person who with intent to commit crime breaks and enters either by day or night any building whether inhabited or not and opens or attempts to open any vault, safe or other secure place by the use of nitro-glycerine, dynamite, or any other explosive shall be deemed guilty of burglary with explosives.

Penalty: Any person duly convicted of burglary with explosives shall be punished by imprisonment for a term of not less than twenty-five nor more than forty years."

There was urgent need of this law at the time of its passage because California, particularly in the winter season, was over-run with Eastern yeggs and safe men, and it was almost a nightly occurrence to have a safe blown in some country store or in stores or in industrial plants in the cities.

This condition stirred the peace officers of the State to action and they demanded a law to fit the case. The legislature in its wisdom saw fit to enact this law and the results justified the judgment of the peace officers. This sounded the death knell of safe blowers in the State and Eastern yeggs now give California wide berth. Two San Francisco residents are now serving from twenty-five to forty years in the State Prison for blowing a safe in Middletown, Lake County.

They operate in gangs of from three to five persons, one acting as a lookout on the outside, one on guard inside, having in view the lookout on the outside, and on his signal warning is passed to the

two working on the safe. In case, there is a rear entrance a lookout usually places himself where he can observe any person, who might approach the place from that direction; all are well-armed with the finest weapons money can buy. The lookouts are chosen for their daring and quickness on the draw and if surprised, they will shoot from the pocket without drawing their weapon. They usually wear caps well drawn over their face and long overcoats of light weight material with side pockets and a gun in each pocket. A police officer approaching a lookout on a safe job if careless, usually pays for it with his life. Safe blowers will never surrender without a gun fight.

The location of the safe to be blown is usually made by a "gaycat" who is usually a young chap from 18 to 23 years of age with the appearance of injured innocence. On arriving in town, he usually gets the lay of the safe that looks fat and then proceeds to get the information on the police and watchman if any. He times the patrolman on the beat, observes when he tries the doors and notes if he is observant or not, and if so, changes his location and locates some other safe, where less vigilance is displayed. He then proceeds to rent rooms for his companions, they coming into town one at a time until the mob arrives and no time is lost in getting busy. The "gaycat" in the meantime disappears to meet at some appointed time and place.

Several methods are used to blow a safe; some have class and some are very crude jobs and scarcely worthy of a name. Eddie Fay, recently killed by a companion in Chicago, was conceded to be the most expert in the world, being in a

class by himself. He could open a safe with explosives and not make enough noise to attract the attention of the pedestrians on the street or disturb tenants in the same building. He drilled a hole about one-half inch in diameter a little over and above the dial plate in the direction of the handle and just over the knuckle that controlled the bolts holding the doors in place. He then inserted the nitro-glycerine in a rubber tube in the hole just over the knuckle and attached the detonator and the fuse to the tube of glycerine and made the electric attachment either to dry cells or electric lights and at the proper moment, the explosion occurs and all he had to do was to lift the bottom bolt with a hooked wire and the same was open. He knew every make of safe, the exact spot where to drill and the necessary amount of glycerine.

He secured a hundred thousand dollars through his activities all over the United States and Canada and was responsible for the Lundy safe job in this city, which was a very neat job but the crime could not be brought home to him. He played safe as he thought but he met his fate at the hands of a confederate whom he double-crossed over a division of the spoils and was shot to death in a gun fight.

He often stated he would never be taken alive on a job.

Frank Letterman, one of the best-known local cracksmen, was a former member of Fay's gang but he never acquired the technique of Fay and was a rough workman. His method was to soap the crack of the safe doors with ordinary brown soap except a small space at the top of the door, where he would make a small cup of soap just on the line with the crack and then pour the liquid glycerine into the cup, so that it would seep into the crack of the door and thus flow all around it. When a sufficient amount flowed, and this required a little time, the detonator was applied and electric connections made and the job was ready. Before this was done, however, the safe was covered with wet blankets or similar material to deaden the sound. Explosions of this kind make a loud noise and usually cause an alarm to be given and quick action was necessary to get the money and make a getaway. Some danger is attached to this method for it frequently happened that too much glycerine was used and the doors would be blown off the hinges and window glass would be broken in the building.

Letterman and his gang, consisting of Elmer Sanborn, Percy Randolph, Frank Brown, all ex-convicts, did not confine their activities to safe-blowing but committed robberies for diversion. They were arrested here by Detectives George McLoughlin and Leo Bunner after a gun fight for robbery and are now serving time. In the night of the commission of the robbery, while making their

escape, they suspected that the patrol wagon was out with a squad of police looking for them and they all backed into a deep doorway and drew their 45 automatics and were ready to shoot the officers down on sight. Fortunately that did not happen; Elmer Sanborn is now exercising his resourceful brain as to how he can best excite sympathy to be released on parole. He is one of the most dangerous criminals in the State, Letterman not excepted.



Frank Letterman



Eddie Fay

Criminals of this class can only be handled by brave and courageous police officers and when apprehended they should be brought to justice without delay and given the extreme limit of the law. Sob-sisters, feeble-minded reformers and lachrymose visitors to the penal institutions of the State have no place or function to perform in solving the problem of the safe blower, because he is a deliberate and potential murderer, ready to slay if disturbed in his criminal enterprises.

A "JAY-WALKER" IS AN AWFUL THING

Jay-walking is enforced in thirty states of the union. Captain Henry Gleeson of the Police Traffic Bureau is working out a plan to enforce it in San Francisco.

People who cross the street exercise as a rule less caution than they do in going up a flight of stairs in their own home.

They will step off a curb in front of a moving automobile without looking, trusting to everything but their sense. They will run for a street car without gazing up or down the street for moving autos.

As has been said "Why is jay-walking dangerous?"

Because a jay-walker crosses the street at an unexpected place—a place not anticipated by a driver of a machine.

Because he crosses intersections of streets diagonally—

Because he crosses between intersecting streets and not at the crossings—

Because he walks on the streets instead of the sidewalks—

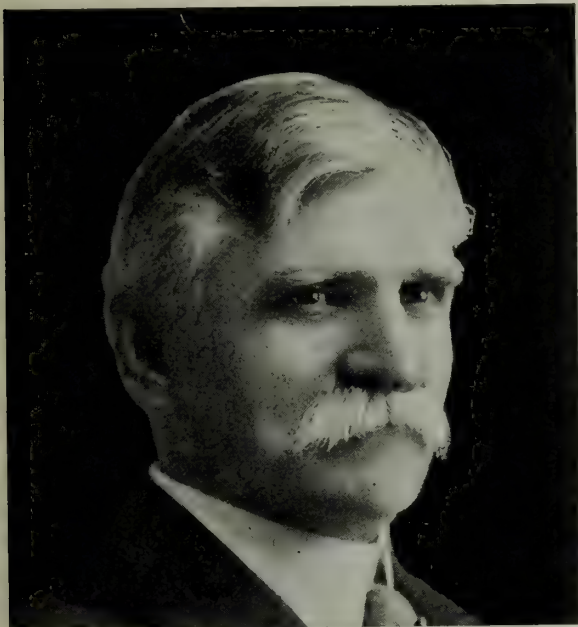
Because he exposes himself to any passing vehicle.

Commissioner Jesse B. Cook

Interesting Story of Career as Police Officer in Texas and California, of His Rise to Chief of Police of San Francisco, by an Associate of Many Years

Police Commissioner Jesse B. Cook was born in the town of Marysville, California, and at the age of eight came to San Francisco where he remained until the early years of manhood. At that period of life, however, where every young American has the aspirations "to do and dare" he decided that life was too smooth in San Francisco and decided to go to Texas where the "wild and woolly West" was an accomplished fact rather than the fascination we see in the motion picture world.

After his adventure in the Lone Star State he decided to take up his residence at San Antonio, a



Police Commissioner Jesse B. Cook

city which was then known as the headquarters for cowboys and broncho-busters. After learning the tricks of the cowboy and broncho-buster life the young Californian decided that he would become a member of the police department of San Antonio. Needless to say, a policeman's life in that city in those days was more than a one-man job because around pay day and other holiday periods it was made the headquarters of the men of the plains. The Commissioner informs me that in those days in the early 80's San Antonio had a population of about 5000 persons. The uniform worn by the police department members was in keeping with the time and consisted of a blue sack suit and slouch hat. There was plenty of work there for an active policeman and we might say in this connection that the Commissioner most certainly started his police life with a proper foundation by attempting to keep peace and quiet among the then inhabitants of San Antonio. It goes without saying that a police officer had to be

able to ride, run, fight, wrestle and shoot and from very reliable authority I am informed that the Commissioner was always on the job ready, able and willing to do a policeman's part. After receiving his preliminary training with the police force of San Antonio he decided to start on his way back to the scenes of his boyhood in Northern California.

We next find him a member of the police department of San Diego, California. The population of San Diego at that time was about 10,000. The uniform worn by the men of the San Diego Police Department during the Commissioner's connection with it was a long coat, slouch hat with the cord and tassel. His first assignment in San Diego was in "Stingeree Town." The part of the city known by that name was something along the line of the Old Barbary Coast of San Francisco and it goes without saying that an officer performing duty there had no small task.

The San Diego police in those days worked in pairs as the visitors to the city, and more particularly to "Stingeree Town," came from Lower California and in their nightly carousals, shooting and cutting were largely the order of the day. The young Californian, however, was always on the job and notwithstanding the task assigned to him he was always able to cope with any situation that might present itself.

In 1889 we find the Commissioner still traveling north and on February 13th of that year he was appointed a member of the San Francisco Police Department. In this connection I might say that at the present time where the matter of preliminary police training for eligibles for police departments is being so widely discussed I cannot but feel that on that morning of February 13, 1889, when the Commissioner was appointed a member of our department, he most certainly had that training which goes to make a first class officer.

After being duly sworn in he was assigned to his first beat in the Southern Police District on 8th street between Market and Brannan streets. Indeed, this beat "south of the slot" was a logical continuation of the police duty to which he had been assigned in San Antonio and in "Stingeree Town," San Diego, because it took a man with a great deal of police ability to enforce law and ordinance in those "good old days" south of Market street. After handling every angle of the police game as a patrolman, he was appointed to the

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Coroner and Police Work Together

By DR. T. B. W. LELAND, *for Nearly a Quarter of a Century Coroner of This City. Instructions to New Police Officers in Handling Investigations*

The police department of San Francisco and the coroner's office are working, and have worked for years, in close harmony. And this is as it should be for these two agencies are the ones that must solve crimes of a violent nature. It may be a murder, a suicide, an accident, they must determine and fix the responsibility. They must find out how the crime was committed and why. Therefore it is necessary that harmony prevails, and that each department has confidence in the other. We have such confidence in each other in this city, and as a result a ready understanding has grown up between the two public investigating bodies.

In conducting an inquiry into a criminal act it is of paramount importance to know that the men of the police department, from the detective bureau, are honest, that the evidence they are presenting can be depended upon, and that everything is on the square. That is the way I have found every member of the San Francisco police department who has ever appeared before me during an inquest.

It is the co-operation of my office and that body of men under Chief O'Brien that has been responsible for the solution of many major crimes in San Francisco during the years I have been at the head of the Coroner's office.

Probably one of the most important things that has been brought about in recent years through the close workings of the two departments is the determination of intoxication of automobile drivers.

In years gone by we had a lot of difficulty in testimony touching upon this matter. One witness would say a man was sober, another that he was drunk, and another that he was slightly under the influence of liquor. This naturally cast much doubt about a case involving a death from an automobile driven by a man said to be intoxicated. So we have adopted a plan we had on board ship when I was in the navy. On board ship the officer in charge does not determine whether a man is drunk, though he may be staggering, he refers him to the ship's doctor.

So after a conference with Chief O'Brien, District Attorney Brady, Captain of Detectives Matheson and myself, we agreed that all cases involving the condition of a man driving an automobile that kills anyone be referred to a member of the Central Emergency Hospital staff, and he passes upon that man.

In the investigation of a homicide, the prelim-

inary work of the coroner deputy and the detectives is of utmost importance. It is my contention that here is where the greatest care should be exercised.

When a murder has been committed the first officer there should never allow anyone in the room. Should keep all persons out until the arrival of the detective or detectives who have been sent out from headquarters, and these men should likewise see that all not engaged in investigating, should be kept out of the room.

For experience has shown me that where all sorts of people are permitted to crowd in a room where a murder has been committed many seemingly small details have been overlooked or made impossible to obtain. Such as getting measurements of distances from the body to the weapon used. The distance from a bed that may have held the body before death, the exact position of the body or the weapon, finger prints or foot prints. The absence of these details often furnish ammunition for a clever attorney for a defendant, and who is apt to raise them from seemingly unimportance to matters of grave importance.

I would impress upon all officers never to hurry in this preliminary work that must be done at the scene of the crime. Take plenty of time. Don't let anyone insist on a speedy removal of the body. Let the remains stay where they were found until every detail and circumstance has been taken into consideration, and put down in the book.

Often times by the exercising of this care in the first investigation it can be determined whether the crime was murder, suicide or an accident. Often times the defense of the man arrested for the crime may raise the point that it was suicide or an accident and not the murder charged. But the detective who has been careful and painstaking in his preliminary work on the case can readily take the stand and prove whether such a contention is false.

Such a detective will find that his careful work will do much in establishing the motive of the crime, a proposition that is so important in a murder case.

The investigator should closely note the condition of the clothing the dead person has on. The arrangements of the clothing, the necktie, the shoes, the hat, in fact everything that the deceased may be wearing.

Blood is one of the more important factors in
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Policing a Chinese City

Written for "Douglas 20" by Wilfred Tuska, for Many Years Oriental Buyer for M. J. Brandenstein & Co.



Wilfred Tuska

We think of China as a land to be avoided, but probably no place in the world is a city better policed than Shanghai, better known as the Paris of the Orient. It is an international settlement and is governed by a Municipal Council, made up of a certain number of men of various nationalities, who appoint the Chief of Police after a preliminary examination. This settlement was formed in 1848 when England and America pooled their holdings, which previously had been granted them by China. The French also holding a grant refused to enter the pool and still maintain their part of the town of Shanghai known as French Town which is governed by its own municipality and patrolled by its own police.

My subject will deal chiefly with the policing of the International settlement, the inhabitants of

the "South of the Slot" district of Shanghai. The North Honan Road station is located in the cheap rooming-house and gambling-hall district and can be compared with the "Barbary Coast" district of olden days. Then there is Jessfield station and a Siccawei station which correspond to our Richmond and Sunset districts. In these two districts are found some of the finest residences of Shanghai.

Each station is under the jurisdiction of a Captain of Police who is directly responsible to the Captain Superintendent. While his duties are many he finds time each day to circle the city and gather first hand information from his subordinates as to what is going on. The estimated population of Shanghai is given as 600,000 to 700,000 souls and the area is about the size of San Francisco. The number of policemen in service is proportionately greater than any other city of its size, and are made up of Britishers, Australians, Frenchmen, Germans before the war, Americans during the war, Hindoos from India, Danes, Japa-



Intersection Nanking Bund

which are made up of a great many races. On the police force may be found one or more representatives of each of these, hence, any orders for the police must be given in almost as many languages as were spoken at the tower of Babel.

The police department of Shanghai is headed by a Captain Superintendent whose duties are closely allied to those of our Chief Daniel O'Brien and his headquarters are located at the Central Station similar to our Hall of Justice. As we have various sub-stations so have they in Shanghai. The Honkew station is located in what could be termed

nese, Chinese and possibly one or two other races.

Shanghai has always played host to a large floating population of disreputable characters, and during the war and the period that followed vast hordes of undesirables found their way into the city—Russia sending in a large quota of criminals. Steps were taken finally to curb the entrance of undesirable Russians.

The efficiency of the department during that period was taxed to its capacity and at no time found wanting. Every branch of the service was

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Being the Wife of a Chief of Police

Since the initial issue of Douglas 20 the men folks in police life have been getting what might be probably termed "more than their share" in the discussion of police matters. As the editor I have been anxious for sometime to get an idea of police life from the standpoint of the activities of the women who are compelled to bear a great deal of the burden which goes with the uncertainty of police life. With this in mind I called at the residence of our Chief, Daniel J. O'Brien with a view of interviewing our "First Lady" in police circles.

Indeed, Mrs. O'Brien was no stranger to me because during the recent Convention of the International Association of Chiefs of Police which was held in this city I had an opportunity to meet her on several occasions. It was with considerable interest that I watched her carry out every detail with a view of showing the ladies who came to the convention either as delegates or accompanying friends with the police chiefs.

Mrs. O'Brien was in charge of a committee consisting of the captains' wives of the police department and other prominent women who were interested in showing our visiting friends the many good things San Francisco had in store. I will not attempt to go into details as to the manner in which this committee took care of its guests as it is now a matter of public record well enshrined in the memory of all San Franciscans.

Upon my arrival at the residence of Mrs. O'Brien I was given a "cead mile failte". The first thing that attracted my attention during my interview with Mrs. O'Brien was the ringing of a fire tapper which is actually installed in her home. I immediately inquired if we were at an official police headquarters hitherto unknown to me or at the possible residence of one of our Ingleside citizens. She very courteously informed me that the ringing of fire tappers was a common matter with her both day and night. She stated that she personally would like to see police affairs conducted at stations, and offices regularly provided, but as such instruments were necessary for the Chief to keep him posted on all matters, she was perfectly content to live under such circumstances.

We were not long engaged in conversation when she explained to me the many uncertainties of police life from the standpoint of the wife who shares the trials and tribulations, as well as the happiness, in the sphere of police activity. As specific instances she related that on many occasions she and the Chief have appointments to go some particular place for a little recreation, but invariably some five or ten minutes before the

time he is due to arrive home the telephone rings, with the statement that it would be impossible for him to get home at the time appointed as he is either detained at the office on some unexpected event or else called out on some urgent police matter. Even when at home and enjoying a little rest either the telephone rings or a second or third alarm taps in, necessitating the immediate departure of the Chief. This is liable to happen in the early hours of the night or in the early hours of the morning. On many occasions when he leaves home during the early hours of the night, particularly in cases of fires or where some injury has befallen a member of the department, he will not return until after the close of his office hours the next day. Notwithstanding all of this Mrs. O'Brien seems to be well contented with her lot. In fact, she takes a particular pride in telling that strict attention to duty has been the motto of her husband all his life. She stated that whether in the field of police activity or acting as a stationary steam engineer or superintendent of one of our public buildings his hobby is to devote all the time he possibly could to the carrying out of every detail connected with the task assigned to him. She did not forget to mention that the Chief is so little at home for periods covering several days that some of her friends state she is rather lucky to be relieved of the burden of cooking meals for

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("Tad"—author of "Indoor Sports", says DOUGLAS 20 will rival the *Cosmopolitan Magazine*.)

T. A. DORGAN
Great Neck, L. I.

Dec. 20th, 1922.

Mr. John F. Quinn,
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Dear Jack:

I have your copy of the Police Magazine Douglas 20, and think it is quite a nice book. You certainly set quite a high standard for your first issue. If it gets any better it will certainly rival the *Cosmopolitan* for circulation.

Yours truly,
(Sig.) T. A. DORGAN.

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commander of the Traffic Bureau.

"Inasmuch as the legal aspect of the motor vehicle law is touched upon by Judge Prendergast, autoists who often think they are in the right will find that they legally are in the wrong after reading the opinion of Judge Prendergast on the subject, who quotes decisions to more forcibly bring out his argument," said Thompson.

Avoid Accidents

"The Judge endeavors to instruct the driver of a motor car or truck how to live up to the letter of the law and how to avoid accidents which in a majority of cases are due to the erroneous idea of the motorist that he has the right of way. Judge Prendergast claims that misconceptions of the laws regarding the right of way cause most of the collisions, and that ordinary common sense in driving instead of rigidly adhering to the right-of-way rule would make less work for the Judges and save lots of expense and prevent many accidents.

"The high lights in the Judge's article are well worth studying. Slowing down at intersecting corners, avoiding a wild rush to reach one's des-

tinuation and taking chances to save a minute or two, cutting in while the traffic is dense and other minor matters which should be either followed or eliminated as the case may be, are summed up by the Judge in the following sentence: "The law of the road is based solely on common sense and good judgment. While there are certain speed laws, the driver must exercise a certain amount of judgment in piloting his automobile. Many cases have been decided against drivers who conformed to the limitations of the speed laws, but who had neglected to use common sense by failing to operate their cars in a reasonable and prudent manner with due regard for the safety of others on the roadway."

Quotes Excuses

"The traffic problem, which is a very hard nut to solve in a busy city of the size of San Francisco, is touched upon in a humorous strain by Captain Gleeson, who quotes many of the excuses which are offered by the motorists who are tagged for infractions of the traffic laws. After giving his views upon the law as written, Captain Gleeson tells of his own experiences and those of the men who are in his department with the people who are forced to come up for reprimand or sentence after having had their automobiles tagged.

"It gives a little insight to the work of the traffic squad, which most people think is nothing but the directing of traffic by signals in the down town district. From this article it can be seen Captain Gleeson and all of the members of his bureau are bending every energy to educate the motorists on how to avoid breaking the law and to speed up travel without endangering the lives of other autoists or pedestrians. All that they ask is the co-operation of the motoring public in their attempt to make San Francisco the safest and sanest city in the country for automobile owners and the walking and traveling public."

The San Francisco Chamber of Commerce announces that this year already 36 conventions have been scheduled for San Francisco. This city is considered one of the most ideal convention centers in the United States as delegates always escape the heat of summer and the freezing weather of winter. Principal among the big meetings of the year will be the conventions of the American Medical Association, the National Education Association and the American Legion, American Hotelmen's Association.

Chris, Police Horse, Killed On Duty

By JAMES YEISER

Chris was a fellow who came from one of the most prominent families in the country. But because he did not come up to expectations in his youth he was turned out into the world.

He drifted into the San Francisco police force. That was in 1909. Members of the department, especially those of the Park district, have always considered him in the light of a hero. But it was not until Tuesday night that he came in for genuine appreciation.

He was killed.

Chris was a horse. He was the progeny of Lady Estelle and Linwood W. something or other, both of whom were owned by Major Christianson, who used to live at the Palace Hotel. Linwood W. had managed to keep his family name out of the scandal.

When Chris was born everyone seemed to know that he was a fizzle. Judged by experts he was too much of this and too little of that.

He got a little older and they put him up for sale. So he came to be a member of the police department.

This is what Sergeant Patrick McGee, who was head of the mounted squad, had to say about him yesterday:

"Chris had a soul. That is something the experts overlooked. Any man who loves animals knows that there comes into his life one great love, either for a horse or a dog. Chris was the one for me.

"He was able to handle automobile traffic in Golden Gate Park without a rider. He knew that dogs were not allowed in the park. He would chase them out.

"Only one fault could be found with him. He would neglect all of his duties for a baby in a carriage or for a pretty girl, especially if she had some sort of blue in her garments. He was the best judge of pretty girls I ever have known. I do not know where that came from unless perhaps from his father, Linwood W., who was something of a rake."

Chris rescued many persons in the park by overtaking runaways in the nick of time. He led a simple life but he was a hero just the same.

He met his end Tuesday night on the Great Highway. Policeman James Harrington was riding him when they were bumped by an automobile. Harrington was injured. Chris got a broken leg. He had to be shot.

By SERGEANT PAT MCGEE

Chris is gone! To the general public this statement does not mean anything, but to that heroic band of men—the mounted men of Golden Gate Park Station—it is tragic.

Chris was only a horse—but such a horse! Foaled in the fields of Pleasanton, of a strain of standard breds that made history on the track and in the show ring, Chris as a colt was a gangling, awkward, headstrong youngster, and, like Richard III, sent on this earth half finished and before his time, he was passed up by the expert as being useless for either track or show! Like experts in other lines, they knew not what they did.

He was ridden by different men of the mounted squad who one and all declared him impossible as a saddle horse.

And then into the life of Chris and his rider of years (who took him when all others had rejected him, because he saw in his breadth of forehead and kindly eye great possibilities) came a new and kindred feeling. Chris was reborn. From the chrysalis of the reject emerged one of the greatest animals that ever man pulled a latigo on.

Who that ever attended the concerts at the Golden Gate Park did not see and stop to admire that beautiful blood bay that directed traffic at the Grant Monument? And what a picture—the hero of Gettysburg looking down on the hero of many a runaway—and admiring!

And did the children of the Playground know him? Aye—they did, for oft-time they have played around him—running round and round him—and no mother could be more careful of them than was Chris.

And when the elk or moose became angered and were running wild; when all the mounted men were summoned to make the capture before someone was killed, Chris was always among the first to tauten the riata made fast to the horn of the saddle.

Would that I had the facile pen of a Kyne that I might say what I really feel on the passing of my old friend and companion of many a hard fought campaign!

And Chris—in passing, let me pause to say:

That in the equine Valhalla where all good horses go may thy fields be perennially green; the alfalfa and the fillaree always sweet and long; and may you commune with Pegassus and Rosinante.

Vale and farewell.

The Sergeant's Hunch

By HALE SHIELDS, Newspaperman, Short Story Writer and Former Police Reporter at the Hall of Justice

The city's growth has changed its aspect now, but along the half block on the north side of Market Street, just below Montgomery, a year or so ago, you could get an astrological life reading for ten cents, or if you preferred furniture polish, patent suspenders, glass cutters, can openers, shoe strings or any of a variety of other articles, the hawkers who carried their wares in hand satchels and spread them out on folding tables against the high billboard could most likely accommodate you.

Here riches and poverty were seen in incongruous contrast, for this bit of San Francisco's main artery which itinerant vendors and mendicants had usurped was in the shadow of the city's financial district and at either side of the billboard rose great banks and office buildings. Throngs passed incessantly.

Only a crazy man, you would say, would pick out Market Street for a murder, if he hoped to get away with it, with the traffic cops a few yards away and automobiles and street cars whirling in every direction.

Yet one man did. And no one knows that he was not in full possession of his mental faculties.

At ten o'clock on a morning in May our police reporter, flashed in by phone that a man had fallen dead at Montgomery and Market.

The city editor picked on me, the newest cub.

"You'll beat the morgue wagon," he said as I was leaving. "Probably a heart case."

The block of mongers and beggars is only a few hundred yards from the office and I was there within a few minutes. I found the dead man stretched alongside the billboard, a handkerchief over his face. I pushed my way through the growing crowd that surrounded him, flashing my badge when a police sergeant put out a restraining hand.

With the exception of a blind beggar who sat on a stool playing softly "My Old Kentucky Home" on a tin whistle within ten feet of the body, apparently unconscious of anything unusual, the ragged row was silent for once. They stood by their deserted stands and craned their necks, talking in the tones that men naturally assume in the presence of death.

The dead man had the appearance of a prosperous business man.

"Heart attack?" I asked the police sergeant.

The big fellow looked up from the notebook in which he was writing.

"It's my opinion that murder has been done,"

he said, his deep voice holding, I thought, a note of awe.

I was green enough in the newspaper game to get a thrill out of his words. I stammered as I asked for particulars.

"He was shot. Shot in the eye," said the officer who pulled off the handkerchief. Blood trickled in a thin stream from the left eye of the dead man, formed in a widening pool, and trailed down the slanting sidewalk.

"No one saw the murder," continued the sergeant slowly. "No one saw anything. The man nearest him when he fell is blind." He motioned with his head to the man with the whistle. "No one heard anything. But there's this. I found it in the dead man's pocket."

He handed me a piece of note paper of good quality with the following written in ink:

"Meet me without fail near northeast corner Montgomery and Market at 9:45 a. m. Tuesday. Ethel."

"A woman wrote it," said the sergeant solemnly. "A woman lured him to his death. No one saw him meet a woman." He glanced along the row. "None of these birds saw anything. Blast that blind man's tune!" he broke off irritably.

"Any idea who the dead man is?"

The officer showed me a card and at the name I restrained a gasp. Arthur Warrington was one of the city's prominent citizens.

"I ain't sure it's him, of course," said the sergeant, "never having seen Warrington. But I found that in his cardcase. They'll be taking him to the morgue pretty soon. Here comes the wagon now. My name's Sergeant Michael McGrath if you want to use my name in your story. It won't hurt any."

I glanced at my watch, saw that I had two minutes to catch the last minute news of the second edition and sped to the nearest telephone.

"Give the story to Weston," ordered the city editor. "Then get a taxi and go out to the house. Ask his wife about Ethel or if he had any enemies and grab all the pictures you can lay your hands on."

There are few things that the average newspaper reporter wouldn't rather do than break the news of a tragedy to a wife or mother. The memory of my interview with Mrs. Warrington is painful. I can still see her quiver under the lash of my words, as gently spoken as I knew how. Her cries of anguish still ring in my ears. Through her sobs she repeated over and over

that she knew no one named Ethel who could in the remotest way have been involved with her husband. Her husband, she assured me, had been all that a loving, devoted husband could be. And, so far as she knew, he had no enemies.

As I was leaving after a heart-rending fifteen minutes I ran into Ed Wren, a police detective whom I had met on one or two other cases.

"Talk with Mrs. Warrington?" he asked, and at my answer sighed with relief. "Glad I don't have to break it to her," he said.

I detained him for a moment as he started up the steps. "Anything new at headquarters on the case? Did they find out if he was really shot?"

"He was shot all right—but not with a bullet. The murderer used a steel dart. It penetrated the eyeball and lodged in the brain. Warrington never knew what struck him."

I got under way in my taxicab just as another machine drew up and ejected Jenkins of the Herald. I smiled and patted my breast pocket where nestled "all the pictures I could grab". If Jenkins found another picture he would be in luck.

Having delivered my pictures into the eager hands of the city editor and given my notes to Weston, the rewrite man who was handling the story, I was out of the office before noon, on my way to my usual lunch of pie and a glass of milk. We had cleaned up on the yarn, having had the breaks from the start, and I was feeling good because of the word of praise the boss had dropped for my share in handling the story. The solution of the mystery was now properly something for the police reporter to worry over.

But as I crossed Market Street, headed for my favorite lunch counter, my eye wandered to the scene of the murder. Curiosity impelled me to go over and inspect the spot where the body of Warrington had lain. He had bled profusely. The sidewalk was still wet with the crimson flow.

Business along the row was again flourishing. The spielers were shouting raucously and groups had formed again about their stands. The blind beggar was still piping softly his interminable tune, his tin cup, strapped about his waist, ringing dully now and then to the thud of a dropped nickle or dime and sometimes a quarter.

I dropped a dime into his cup. "Thanks", he mumbled and resumed his playing, reaching with one hand for the coin and thrusting it into his pockets. Of all the mendicants along the line he was probably the raggedest. His face was all black goggles and black beard and long, unkempt black hair.

"I'm from the Record," I said. "I'd like to ask you a few questions about the murder this morning." He stopped blowing, but did not lower his

flute. He held his head in the peculiar listening attitude that most blind men have. "You were the nearest to him when he dropped. Didn't you hear anything at all?"

"I heard nothing! The police have questioned me." The next instant he was playing where he had left off.

I saw Sergeant McGrath standing near the corner, looking uncertainly up and down the row. His good natured face wore a ludicrously puzzled expression. I saw him take off his cap and scratch his grizzled head.

I approached him. "What's worrying you, sergeant?"

"I was just trying to figure it out," said the sergeant. "How the devil could a man be murdered here without someone hearing or seeing something? It ain't reasonable!"

His eye roved again down the row of sidewalk tradesmen and seekers after alms.

"Huh!" he grunted. "Now what do you think about that?" He pulled his cap down firmly on his head.

"What's the matter, sergeant?"

"Stand here," said the sergeant, "and watch. I may be wrong. But it's worth taking a chance. Maybe I'll make another scoop for you, son,"

He moved swiftly to the side of the blind man. With a sudden movement he put up his hand and swept off the black goggles. There followed an oath, a blow, the policeman fell sprawling and a figure in rags, with flowing hair and beard, and with black eyes snapping from side to side as he sought an avenue of escape, sped up the street.

"Stop him!" yelled the sergeant, scrambling to his feet and sending a shot into the air, for the crowd was too thick to permit of serious shooting.

I hadn't been long out of school and proved that I hadn't forgotten how to tackle. I brought my man to the pavement heavily and he lay still. The sergeant rushed up. He yanked at the hair and beard. They came off in his grasp.

"There's your murderer!" said the sergeant, and snapped on the handcuffs. "What did he do with that tin flute?"

I picked it up from the sidewalk where our man had dropped it and handed it to the sergeant.

"And here," said the sergeant, holding it up and squinting through it with one eye, "is the thing he shot the dart with!" He reached into a pocket of the unconscious man's threadbare coat and brought forth a handful of small bits of sharpened steel.

Our prisoner had fallen on his head and it was not until we had rushed him to the Harbor Emergency Hospital that he came to. By the rarest luck I had him all to myself, the regular hospital

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Being a Policeman

By VESTA KELLING, *University of California Graduate*

Why does every little boy want to be a policeman?

Why does every little girl adore the handsome officer on the beat?

Children, whatever you may say about their naughtiness, are, after all, primitive fresh souls who rely upon their instincts for guidance, and not upon prejudices which come after one has been carried along in this shrewd world for a number of years. The anarchistic viewpoint is always acquired, children admire and envy the holder of authority. So it is that Billy is going to be a policeman when he grows up, and that Sally is going to marry one.

Kids like the policeman's slick uniform, his physical bigness, his straight wide back, and his bright star with its high polish. They do not fear his club. A club in the fist of a man wearing a collar well over size sixteen is a magnificent sight before we make concessions with the ideals handed us along with our meaner impulses. When we are old and guilty this capacity of adoration goes, even though one is a 100% American-law-abiding (even to the Volstead proposition) citizen. We all smirch our moral records gradually, perhaps by beating the street car company out of a nickel, learning to cuss, lying to "the wife" or husband, or killing a fellow in jealousy. Yet, surely the policeman is a happy man, he can protect the weak and punish the viciously weak.

How many of us have jobs in an organization established for the improvement of everything,

like the Police. How many of us have jobs which are not founded on the paying of dividends, or built on competition? The office boy learns the value of coin at an audience with his boss. The sweet-sixteen waitress knows the value in coin of her smile. The stenographer taints her manicured fingers thumping out a line of alibis and dun letters. Even the marcelled sales lady grins over



Vesta Kelling

the comparison of prices wholesale and prices retail.

But the policeman works only with good and bad—human values and human hearts. That's where he gets the ample smile. He is not urged to get Slippery Sam because it will bring a commission. His chief will not gather in any interest other than confidence and good will. A policeman at his work doesn't buy or sell a thing! Gee but he's got a swell job!

ANOTHER OFFICIAL ENDORSEMENT FOR DOUGLAS 20

At the meeting of the California Highway Patrolmen's Association in this city January 10 the delegates unanimously adopted a resolution making Douglas 20 the official organ of the organization. In introducing the resolution it was pointed out that Douglas 20 was the only magazine of its kind on the coast, and that it had shown a keen interest in all police matters, and particularly was it alive to the importance of proper traffic supervision in the face of the fast growing number of automobiles throughout this state.

JUST REMEMBER—

- "A nut takes more chances than a squirrel."
- "Don't be buffaloeed into taking fool chances."
- "Jay-walking is a short-cut to the hospital."
- "An elephant lives a hundred years, but he's careful all the time."
- "The A B C of safety is—always be careful."
- "A cat can risk eight lives—a boy can't risk one."
- "A rash minute—a human wreck."
- "Better be alert than a cripple."
- "A moment of caution or a month of pain."
- "Better belated than mutilated."
- "Don't dash in front of a trolley—it may hide an auto."
- "A word to the wise—use your eyes."
- "More headwork at crossings—less surgical work at hospitals."

John Jordan, Old Time Traffic Policeman

By EARL ENNIS, Paragrapher and News Writer Whose "Ferry Tales" in Bulletin is One of Features of Local Journalism

The place—Third and Kearny streets. The time—1904—during the cable car days, 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Streets crowded. Traffic congested. . . . A woman's scream rings down the steel-ribbed canyon—sharp, insistent, terror-stricken. Every eye sought the source—and found it. A brace of great white horses, running free, reins snapped, a Wells-Fargo wagon rocking and teetering behind them—fearsome sight in any city—a wild runaway.

The traffic policeman on the corner tucked his club in his belt. A big red-headed man, with sky-blue eyes and a grim jaw. Directly ahead lay women and children, packed on the crossing. He hurtled at the team without a moment's hesitation—straight at the rearing racers. A powerful hand on each wagon pole—a wicked pole that grazed his chest as he jumped for it, head-on. And then—a brace of panting horses pinned against the curb, while an excitement-mad crowd cheered.

"Do you remember that, John Jordan?"

"Gwan with ye," growls John, reddening. "Thim was nice harses. I couldn't be lettin' thim be skinned up, could I now?"

Never Quits

John is 62 today, as he stands, in his police boots—straight as an arrow—a product of the "auld sod" to his arches. He was a much younger man in 1904 when he made that leap. But what of it? He'd try the same thing today if the necessity arose. He's the kind that never quits. They'll have to chloroform John to get that uniform off him.

John Jordan was the best known traffic "cop" that ever bossed a crossing—in the old days. He stood beside Lotta's fountain for years—nine or ten of them. Every banker and broker and business man in town knows John. They used to give him so many cigars, out there on the crossing, that he had to stoop when he took off his helmet. And even then, a flock of smokes would fall out. John used to go back to the station house in the evening with his hat away up on top of his head and unload in a wastebasket.

Noted for Memory

John was noted in those days for his memory. He could tell to a doorway where any important street number in the down-town district was located. Once. . . .

"Can you tell me where 62 Ellis street is?" asked a man.

Jordan looked at him—aslant look out of one eye.

"Well, now, can't you ever be rememberin' that

number?" he demanded. "Only a year ago now I told you that same thing."

"My gosh!" said the man, "how do you do it?"

One hundred thousand persons had talked to John in that year, and yet he recalled that question.

John has a wealth of tales about the old San Franciscans. One of an old lady who got one foot on the Powell street turntable and "hopped" the fastest circle she ever traveled is a riot.

"You should have heard the speech of her when she got her two feet together again," says John, wiping his eyes.

John was a wizard in traffic jams. He kept four bits of sacking for fallen "harses" tucked about Lotta's fountain. Horses were always hitting the pavement there. John would sit on their faces, tie the sacks on their feet, and then shove the crowd back.

"Let the lads get up themselves," he'd say. "Harses is pretty smart if you'll be lettin' 'em."

The horses always justified John's belief in them by getting up. All except one which went to sleep while the mob waited.

"Well now, will you look at that?" John remarked. "You'd think he was a policeman, wouldn't ye?"

John always refused to be a captain or a chief. He wanted to stay a patrolman.

"It's police business I would be doing," he said.

John is still on the job. He patrols Market St. from First to Eleventh—some beat for a man of 62. When he has a moment, he squints at Twin Peaks and begins to ask after some one he knows.

"Do ye mind that young lad that used to work . . .?"

If you do, John has something nice to say about him. In fact, in about thirty years of police service, John has never "knocked" a soul—even his superiors. Which is some record for a policeman.

A policeman like that is entitled to recognition. When you meet John Jordan on Market street, shake him by the hand. He's a square cop and a fine brave old Irishman. The world would be better for more of the likes of him.

I wish to extend to you congratulations on the excellent magazine Douglas 20 has become. It is surely a pleasure to read them. They will surely produce good results. Wishing you continued success,

T. J. TRODDEN.

Mgr. Walsh-Col Co., San Jose.

Three Burglars Who Made Good

By OFFICER JAMES E. COTTLE, for Years Connected With Detective Bureau, and Nationally Known as a Naturalist

Let me say in answer to these questions that any person who enters the home of another with felonious intent is according to law a burglar. So you will readily understand that any hop-head or petty larceny thief could be styled a burglar at will.

But I will not consider this class for the moment. I will here speak of a higher class of burglars, men who live a life of adventure on the outside, men who aside from being burglars are trustworthy and reliable.

In all my long experience in the Police Department I have met and handled but three men of this caliber. Young, clever, athletic, and gifted with many desirable qualities. Two of these I apprehended myself after a long contest. Let their names sleep on under a bright God loving atmosphere, and through the kind permission of the late lamented Hon. D. A. White who was then Chief of Police, I took them under my own supervision with the result that one of them ranks high in the profession he has chosen with a bright prospect of reaching still higher. The second holds a fine position, has married an estimable and beautiful young lady and is enjoying a salary that makes mine look minute. I pride myself for having been instrumental in the redemption of these two young men. I admire them and they in turn love and respect me. This I consider of far greater importance than sending them across the bay.

The third young man was no other than William Frederick Bastain, the most successful and clever burglar that ever entered this or any other city. This man boasted (and I know it to be a fact) that he never had taken a dollar from a person who could not afford to lose.

Can some of our shady promoters say as much? He looked with disdain on the petty thief and swindler. The secret of his great success was that he worked alone and trusted no man. On three occasions he returned the money from whence he had taken it on learning through the papers that it belonged to the servant in the home he had burglarized.

He was embittered against mankind because of the harsh treatment he had received in early life. In all of his episodes he never carried a pistol as he said he had no desire to harm anyone and again he considered ninety per cent of all men cowards. He said if allowed to do so he would take a woman with a loud shrill voice into any large hotel filled to its capacity with men guests, and at an early hour in the morning, when all was silent, he would shatter a few window panes, after a few pistol

shots, have the woman scream at the top of her voice for help, "murder," "police," but he would bet five to one that not a man would put in an appearance. I laughed at this declaration not realizing at the time how soon the laugh would come back, for a short time later the identical thing happened in one of our large hotels. Had I accepted the wager I would have lost.

All three of these young men referred to possessed excellent qualities. They were clever, courageous and intelligent. Bastain in particular had the ability to think rapidly and displayed quick judgment. He could not have told you three minutes before the house he intended to burglarize. All these qualities are valuable and should be cultivated. You ask how Let me suggest. Take some of these millions that are now being squandered on a forelorn hope, erect a suitable institution (not a prison), but an institution of learning and education supervised by proper and competent instruction, send misdirected youths there for a period of six to ten years if necessary, teach them to become skilled mechanics, or take up some profession, if capable of so doing, then watch the results. A prominent judge once told me, while I was pleading for a boy, that he had a white streak in him. I asked permission to try and change the color. My request was granted. The same judge congratulated me later for having done so.

Physicians and most naturalists agree that like tends to produce like. I would not for the world cross swords with such learned gentlemen but let us take the chrysalis or cocoon of a butterfly or moth, after the caterpillar had reached that dormant state, place it in a cold storage plant, let it lay there, freezed up to a month before its regular time to emerge, then when it escapes from the chrysalis note the change. Sometimes this is so remarkable that a complete aberation takes place and one can hardly distinguish the specimen. If thirty-two degrees above zero can make a change in an insect a good education will do it for a youth. Erect your institution, send these boys there, keep them there until they have obtained a trade or profession. The influence of the surroundings, the environment will do the rest. Cherish the rare qualities they possess so that when they come out **men** they can perpetuate these qualities in their children and in conclusion permit me to say that if one-half the careful attention was paid to the human race as there is to the breeding of cats and dogs there would be far less crime and the world at large would be better off.

People and Policemen

By CAPTAIN JOHN J. O'MEARA of the Mission Station, for Nearly 30 Years a Member of the Police Department
Formerly Chief Clerk and at Head of Neutrality Squad During War

There is no branch of the municipal government of this city from which more is expected and whose efforts are less appreciated than the police department. And there is no public servant more abused and maligned than a police officer, no matter how efficient or competent he may be.

I have been a member of the San Francisco Police Department for more than 27 years; have served under eleven chiefs of police—in all ranks as well as on important details, and during that time I have seen honorable, faithful and competent men of the Department unjustly lampooned, caricatured, degraded, disgraced and vilified and by persons who were not seeking the welfare of our city and its institutions or the advancement of its morals but rather for reward and self-glorification.

If there is any one public servant that occasionally needs the praise and support of his friends in order to make up for the continuous abuse of his enemies, and to offset the benevolent efforts of some good people to make the performance of his duty as irksome and difficult as they can, it is a police officer. Some of these good people are more interested in the defects than in the excellencies of men, and while one virtue should cover a multitude of sins they permit one sin to cover a multitude of virtues.

If a policeman happens to go wrong he never fails to call forth the largest display of type and the many marvelous conclusions and deductions tending to show the total depravity and inefficiency of the entire force. He may walk the straight and humble path and keep the faith for years, and then for one brief moment of relaxation, for one false step, or for one error of judgment or morals he is condemned forever and a stigma is placed against the whole department.

I have had ample opportunity to observe them, have worked with them and know them, and now that I have the honor to be called an associate editor of "Douglas 20", I am going to tell of them as I know them.

Policemen are human. They follow the law of averages. If they are not better they certainly are no worse than their surroundings. No better or no worse than so many members of the trades or the professions. There are just so many suicides every year, just so many bank clerks missing from Sunday school, a certain average of men going wrong in police, public and private life. The only difference is that the mistaken policeman

is always given the widest publicity. They were but yesterday selected from the body of our citizenship; from the trades, the school and the counting rooms. Nearly all of the trades and some of the professions are represented among our members. They are strong of mind and body; perfect physically or they could not pass the necessary tests to which they are subjected before becoming members of the force.



Capt. John J. O'Meara

They know the difference between right and wrong, between the vicious and the unfortunate. They have lived long enough to see behind the gloss and glitter that goes to make up some phases of our social and political life. They are truly the greatest force of the amalgamation and assimilation of the races that make up this great city.

The department is not composed of janizaries or brutal misrepresentatives of the law, and there is more real charity and good in the daily, in the unrecorded, generous deeds of the average policeman; more stepping aside to lend a helping hand, more digging down in their pockets, and more of the real Christian impulse, without show or ostentation or hope of reward, than there is in the hearts of all their roasters and knockers from the cradle to the grave.

We all know that there is some evil in a city the size of San Francisco, but there is a vast preponderance of good, and the day when honorable public servants can be defamed with impunity is passing away and we hope will ultimately cease forever.

Annual Police Ball and Concert

Final details for the Annual Policeman's Concert and Ball to be held at the Civic Auditorium Saturday evening, February 10, have about been concluded, and the event promises to surpass in every way any previous effort of the policemen who in this way obtain funds for the Widows' and Orphans' Association, conducted by our department.

The public, recognizing the manner of service obtained from the policemen is responding in a pleasing manner and from present indications the ticket sale will be as heavy as last year.

Those who buy tickets are assured of their money's worth in entertainment and enjoyment. Nothing is being overlooked that may add to the pleasures of those who attend.

Lieutenant John H. Lackman, chairman of this year's celebration announces that he has some surprises in store for the audience, and that each of his committees has executed their various duties in a way that indicates a huge success.

Captain Marcus Anderson, chairman of the music and talent committee reports he will have the Municipal Band and the Third Artillery Band. He has provided for a sextet of three male and three female voices. A soloist of national fame will sing and other numbers offered that are sure to make a hit.

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D. Layne, Company "A"; Officer George R. P. Grunwald, Company "A"; Officer John W. Evatt, Company "A"; Officer George F. Barry, Company "C".

Committee on Badges and Programs—Captain Eugene R. Wall, (Chairman), Company "H"; Corporal Charles W. Brown, Company "I"; Officer William Isaacs, Company "H"; Officer William C. Gilmore, Detective Bureau.



LIEUTENANT JOHN H. LACKMAN

Committee on Invitations—Captain James Kelly (Chairman), 109 15th Ave.; Corporal Albert D. Schmidt, Company "J"; Corporal George F. Kopman, Detective Bureau; Officer George M. Geimann, Company "E".

Transportation Committee—Captain Henry J. O'Day (Chairman) Company "I"; Officer Edward F. Ruggles, Company "D", Officer Howard H. Chamberlin, Traffic Bureau.

Leo Bunner, George Wall, and Jack Cannon of the detective bureau and Emil Hearne of the Central District were initiated into San Francisco Lodge No. 3 B. P. O. Elks at a big meeting on the night of January 5th. The San Rafael lodge put on the degree work and the boys all got a run for their money. A big banquet was had following the ceremonies. This makes a large representation of policemen in the order of the Best People On Earth, and more of the force are expected to be put over the jumps ere the new million dollar home is erected on Post Street, opposite the St. Francis Hotel.

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POLICEMEN AND LAWS

It is indeed gratifying to find at last, a disposition on the part of those who frame our laws in the legislature, to call upon the men who enforce them, for suggestions.

For the first time in the history of the state, peace officers from all sections of California were invited to attend a conference at Sacramento there to suggest changes in the motor vehicle laws, to be acted upon by the legislature that convened this month.

By reading over the proposed changes in the motor laws submitted it will be seen that those who had the foresight to ask these men who have come face to face with the most serious problem of the day, made no mistake. Nothing was left undone that might serve to regulate motor traffic and protect the pedestrian as well as the law abiding driver.

Most people think that the question is solved when some drastic action is taken to stop speeding, but that is far from right. The reckless driver, who may be reckless while going slow;

the glaring headlights, the useless lights, the violator of the rules of the road, the drunken driver, all figure in the scheme of those who know and are trying to make it unprofitable for these kind of violators to get along.

The man in charge of traffic in New York has said this question has gotten so great that he is no longer able to cope with it. You can picture what San Francisco is going to be in five years by the big increase in automobiles of the past five years, and then you can wonder what the police department with the chief and the captain of the traffic bureau are facing. And they are facing this question with a realization of the seriousness of the situation and are trying to have laws enacted that will handle the problems as they increase. They need cooperation and we know they will get it from all right thinking people.

In the meantime let us hope that there will be more calls by the lawmakers for suggestions from the law enforcers on other phases of law enforcement and dealing with crime.

Chief Vollmer pointed out this lack of foresightedness on lawmakers in his article in Douglas 20 last month. We hope it will bring about further changes along the direction indicated by those interested in regulating automobile traffic.

HON. THEODORE ROCHE RE-APPOINTED POLICE COMMISSIONER BY MAYOR ROLPH

Hon. Theodore Roche was reappointed a member of the police commission by Mayor James Rolph, Jr., on January 8th for the fourth term.

At a meeting in the evening following his re-appointment, Commissioner Jesse B. Cook, Dr. Thomas Shumate and Andrew Mahony re-elected him chairman of the board.

Commissioner Roche was first appointed a police commissioner in 1912 by Mayor Rolph, on January 8, 1915 was reappointed and again in 1919. He has been president of the board since his association with it.

As a commissioner Theodore Roche ranks as one of the brightest men in a similar position in the United States. He takes his position seriously striving at all times to give the people a maximum of police service, and he has during the ten years or more he has been on the board introduced many changes in the department that have been of benefit to the people as well as the personnel of the organization. In all his time he has had the closest of co-operation of the other members of the commission, together with that of the mayor and chiefs of police who have served since he was a commissioner.

His last appointment was for four years. He is exceeded in point of service by Commissioner Cook only.

State Traffic Officers Meet

The third annual meeting of the California Highway Patrolmen Association was held in this city from January 9 to 11 inclusive.

Over 15 delegates of men who enforce the traffic laws of the county and city roads after four years of organization of these officers who protect life and property on our highways, have proven that a better understanding has been created and a great deal of good has been accomplished by the interchange of ideas on what should be done to regulate motor traffic and make the roads safe for everybody.

So successful has the work of these men been during the short time the organization has been interested in cooperation that the state law makers have seen the necessity of calling upon this body for suggestions and recommendations on new laws to be enacted by the present legislature. With the opportunity for observation afforded them patrolmen on the roads some very important changes in the traffic laws have been put in the hands of the authorities.

The Association was called to order on Tuesday morning, January 9 by President H. E. Wilson of Fresno, and the delegates were welcomed to the city by Mayor James Rolph, who in his usual enthusiastic and sincere way impressed the men who ride the "iron horses" that they were vested with a great duty and that they were performing that duty well. He gave them the freedom of the city and for three days the boys sure did take advantage of that freedom.

Chief Daniel J. O'Brien made an address which made a big hit with the delegates and he pointed out where the association was being recognized by those in high state positions and said they should strive to solve the great question of motor traffic which is becoming such a serious problem throughout the state.

Percy Towne of the Automobile Club of northern California also made a splendid address, as did David Ferris of the Southern California Automobile Club. William Golden for Judge Mathew Brady also welcomed the visitors. Police Commissioner Jesse Cook addressed the assemblage and added his warm welcome. Police Judge Sylvester McAtee in charge of the traffic court in this city made a fitting address. He expressed the belief that something must be done to speed up the traffic in different parts of the State, to keep congestion down. Father Henry I. Starke of the Paulist Church delivered the invocation.

Tuesday was devoted to organizing, and on Wednesday the delegates got down to business

and put in proper form the new laws desired passed at the coming legislature.

Beside bringing all the traffic enforcement officers in closer co-operation one of the important pieces of legislation proposed was to have a new addition to the motor vehicle laws passed to be known as section 37a. This law provides for the abolishment of county traffic officers, but asks that the boards of supervisors of the various counties be empowered to appoint as many patrolmen to be known just as county employees, and who will be vested with police power by being sworn in as deputy sheriffs. The sheriff would be the ex-officio head of all traffic enforcement outside of incorporated cities.

New officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, A. A. Morrison of Modesto; first vice president, Otto Langer, San Diego; second vice president, T. M. Ryan, Sacramento; third vice president, Fred Lotsey, San Francisco; fourth vice president, C. M. Pickett, Madera; secretary, E. McCluskey, Madera; treasurer, Clifford Sayre, Fresno; sergeant at arms, J. P. Shoemaker, Stockton.

Fresno was chosen as the place of the next annual meeting. A semi-annual meeting will be held in San Diego.

A luncheon was given the delegates by Mayor Rolph at his home on San Jose avenue. He invited the fire and police department to be present by sending in emergency alarms and they all responded.

The following are some of the amendments proposed and adopted:

Requiring every applicant for an operator's license to pass an examination under regulations prescribed by the State motor vehicle department and fixing a license fee of \$1 for every operator's license.

Prohibiting the issuance of operator's license to any person under 18.

Requiring the thumb prints and bust photo of every chauffeur and operator on every license.

Requiring every public garage to keep a record and description—open to the police—of every car brought in for storage, sale or repair.

Requiring the owner or lessee of any building to report to the police when any portion of the building is leased for storage of motor vehicles.

Prohibiting the use of sirens on any automobile except by police and fire departments and peace officers in discharge of their duties.

Adopting an entirely new section regulating headlight equipment and incorporating specifica-

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Interpreting In Our Courts

By ROBERT PARK, *Chinese Translator and Managing Editor of The Chinese World, One of Largest Oriental Journals in Country*



Robert Park

Our beautiful city is probably one of the most cosmopolitan seaports outside of New York, and many an international complication were either started or squelched. This depends upon the handling of the matter by the police department with the aid of the many official translators of the various languages.

There are eight official translators appointed for the criminal courts of San Francisco. Their work is mainly in the criminal departments of the Superior and Police Courts, viz: to translate questions propounded to the witnesses from English into that particular language or dialect and then get the reply and translate the same into English again.

Legal matters handled through a translator who understands his work seems very easy and smooth sailing in the usual procedures, but, let there be a case where the defendant or witness does not speak the English language, then it would be impossible and also unfair to proceed without the translator, while the foreigner would not know what was going on, and would have no means of explaining whatever justifiable defenses he might have.

Sometimes a defendant or witness thinks he can speak the English language, but he speaks so brokenly and pronounces the words so indistinctly that it causes misunderstanding and considerable delay, and also causes quite a strain for some of the jurors to catch the exact meaning.

A translator who is conscientious always tries to understand the witness just the manner he desires to express his testimony and gives it with the same tone of voice, same spirit and expression, and sometimes even goes so far as to imitate the motions and gestures.

There are many letters that come to the police department written in the foreign language and they are handed to the translators and they in turn translate them for the department.

The translators are called upon to examine the insane to help to determine their sanity, and sometimes are also called upon in case of emergency, such as taking a dying statement of a party who is injured by accident or by assault with intent to

murder, and at times to question alleged foreign criminals to determine their guilt or innocence.

Many a time when a matter comes up, at first it looks complicated but after the translator has listened to a complete story, such matters are easily cleared up, and no great damage done.

The translator quite often has to interpret the laws to the foreigners as to their status, and that they are in another country where their own laws do not prevail, and that the laws and customs of this country are entirely different from theirs, and that they cannot carry on whatever they think is right if it happens to violate some of our statutes and ordinances.

The translators are only mental machines in that they listen to a language spoken, and translate it to whatever other language is desired. The hardship of the translator is quite often in a case on trial, where the attorney frames a hypothetical question that requires him to use a hundred or more words to express it; while the translator strains his mental capacity to retain the exact wordings, the number of phrases and clauses and reproduce those very complex and compound sentences with all the various adjectives, and the eloquence or force in which it was intended to impress the witness; then when the translator has given the full question to the witness, he silently gives a sigh of relief, and is about to congratulate himself that he could retain such a long and involved question, when the witness after listening breathlessly for a few seconds or so, settles back in the chair and calmly says "What did you say?" Then you feel that you can almost be justified in giving the witness a "call-down." The translators are not allowed to do such rash acts, but must patiently in turn say to the attorney "What did you say?"

Sometimes the attorneys who frame such long and complicated questions frame them with no intention of being understood, but merely trying to have the witness tell something that may be an advantage to their side, or cause him to lose his temper and make a poor showing before the jury.

There are eight translators for the following languages: Chinese, French, German, Grecian, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian, Slavonian, Spanish, and Yiddish. Some of the translators are required to speak more than one language, but most of them speak several dialects. Sometimes the Hall of Justice sounds like a babbling tower.

Shell Oil Book Saves Policeman's Life

A police rule book and a Shell Oil Company book containing all ordinances and laws on automobile traffic is responsible for Policeman Dennis J. Desmond of the Park Station being alive today.

Recently at night while walking his beat Desmond heard voices in a drug store on Hayes Street. Listening he found there was a holdup inside. Without waiting to get assistance, he entered the store, a holdupman, hid from the officer's view behind the prescription partition, seeing the patrolman approach, opened fire.

Two shots were fired, both taking effect. One was aimed for the heart and it would have found its mark but was stopped by Desmond's police rule book the Shell Oil Company's book of Traffic Laws. The bullet pierced the rule book and tore through the Shell Oil Company booklet being stopped by the last few pages of the latter, inflicting a slight abrasion on the skin of the policeman, just over the heart.

The other bullet was stopped by the belt worn by the officer, the leather being pushed into Desmond's flesh.

After firing these two shots the stick-up man rushed out the store. Desmond called to him to halt and he replied by firing another shot. Desmond returned the fire but did not hit the fleeing bandit.

Special Eugene Gfrorer attracted by the shooting came to Desmond's assistance and joined the search for the robber, but he was not found.



Shell Oil Co. Traffic Book Pierced by Bandit's Bullet

Later the special took Desmond to the hospital for examination, but nothing serious was found as a result of the shooting.

Desmond says he will keep that Shell Oil Company's Book of Traffic Laws and his police guide as two of his most cherished possessions as well as his belt. A picture of the Shell Oil Company's Book of Traffic Laws as punctured by the bandit's bullets is presented on this page.

ISAAC E. NORRIS TAKES BRIDE

In 1917 Isaac E. Norris of the Park station was detailed to duty at a ball in the old Auditorium at Fillmore and Page streets. During the dance he was called upon to recover some property missed by Miss Lydia G. Byrne. They were introduced by mutual friends and from that date until January 1st this year they have been "keeping company." On that day the romance that started while the officer was on duty culminated in the marriage of the couple at the home of the bride at 2118 Anza street.

Superior Judge George Cabaniss performed the ceremony that made the two man and wife. Twenty police officers, on the watch Norris is detailed with, attended the wedding in a body and presented the newlyweds with a suitable present.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Byrne, the father being president of the Standard Rubber Company of this city. Norris is a native of Kentucky and has been a member of the Police Department since 1914.

VETERAN FIREMAN PENSIONED

Frank Crockett, better and affectionately known throughout the city as "Pop" Crockett, for 45 years a member of the San Francisco fire department, was pensioned by the fire commissioners on January 2. When he was put on the retired list he was 75 years of age.

He says he has many years ahead of him yet and thought he would take his pension so he can enjoy himself in his own way. He intends to gather data and pictures for a history of San Francisco. In this history he will relate some of the city's most notable fires, having engaged in fighting all of the big ones during the many years of his service. His latest assignment was with Engine No. 20.

Crockett who lives at 3026 Fillmore street, said on retiring: "I've seen the horses go and the motor trucks come, I've had brick walls fall on me and everything happen that comes to a fireman and I came out alive. I guess I am entitled to a little rest."

Covering All The Beats

Tom White, from the Park station, tells this one on "Bill" Eskew, now doing station duty at the Richmond.

"It was just after the big fire in 1906," says Tom, "and I was detailed out of the Mission station, and Bill was on the phones at the station. Police phone boxes and fire alarm boxes were mighty few in those days. One night I heard the fire engines tearing over the hill on Bernal Heights which was part of my beat, so I hunted up a 'box' which happened to be right across from the fire alarm box and asked Bill to tell me where the fire was. I held the phone for a minute 'til he looked it up on the chart and was greeted with the following from Bill: 'Get away from that box, you darn fool, or you'll get burned up.'"

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Six years ago Detective Patrick O'Connell was taking a safecracker back to St. Louis, Mo. As they sat in the station waiting for the train, the prisoner asked Pat if he wouldn't remove the handcuffs from his wrists.

"I don't want people to know I am a prisoner," was his excuse.

Pat complied, although he had been warned to be wary of his prisoner who had a reputation of being a "Roy Gardner type." When the cuffs were removed, the prisoner asked Pat casually, "Did you ever shoot a man since you've been a policeman?"

"Sure," answered Pat, with a knowing twinkle in his eye. Six of them."

The prisoner gasped: "And did any of them die?"

"Five and the sixth was maimed for life," answered Pat grimly, but still with the knowing twinkle in his eye.

The prisoner gulped his Adam's apple and, holding out his wrists, stuttered: "P-u-put the c-cuffs b-back on, I ain't gonna be tempted!"

"I knew that's what he had in mind," said Pat, recalling the incident, "and three days after I handed him over to the St. Louis police and was on my way back here I read a newspaper dispatch where he had escaped from the county jail there."

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Capturing Archie C. McLaughlin in a room of the Turpin Hotel, after lying in wait for hours, in the hopes of getting a room thief, Detective Fred Bohr was forced to shoot McLaughlin before he could subdue the suspect. A desperate fight in the dark followed the injured man's entrance in the room occupied by Bohr who had left his door purposely unlocked. Bohr got his man to the hospital and then the city prison where he was booked on a burglary charge.

Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson went to Willows on January 11 to attend a conference of peace officers of that section who wanted to discuss the enforcement of the Wright act and also to devise some means of combatting the frequent holdups at country cross roads. It seems that the auto bandit in the country is making it a practice to locate at cross roads and hold up as many machines as possible and with roads going in every direction is able to cover up his trail. Captain Matheson impressed upon the authorities up north to get behind the bills calling for long prison sentences for the auto bandit and any man who uses a gun in a machine, which is being presented to the persent legislature by the State Peace Officers' Association.

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Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien was on January 9th initiated a member of the Theatrical Mutual Association comprising every person connected with the profession from house managers to call boys. The ceremonies were held in Eagles Hall and there was a big turn out of the talent. After "riding the goat" the chief was presented with a beautiful diamond studded gold emblem.

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Detectives Nicholas Barron and James Pearl of the automobile detail made a ten strike when they arrested C. A. Lovett, a former Tulare garageman. Lovett is suspected of being a member of a ring that steals automobiles in Southern California and brings them up north to sell, and then steals machines up here and takes them south to dispose of.

Following is the report of the Coast Underwriters Conference on stolen automobiles in the state during December:

San Francisco 168, all recovered; Los Angeles 398, 308 recovered; Oakland 9, 5 recovered; Sacramento 10, 5 recovered; San Jose 1, 1 recovered; Stockton 8 stolen, all recovered. Other cities, 53 stolen, 26 recovered.

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Patrolman Wm. Murphy, who is assigned to guard the treasures at the Park Museum and who is the proud father of three talented children, claims that all the world famous people were Irish.

William says that Caruso's true name was Casey and Salvini's real monicker was Sullivan and that both were good Irishmen.

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Clifford Jones, of the identification bureau, was appointed a corporal this month and already we hear of complaints from Jones' home about the awful amount of buttons that have to be sewed on Cliff's vest.

Officer James Reed of the license bureau has the reputation of being the most even tempered man in the department. If the sun shines or it rains or the wind rages its all the same to Jim. If some gent comes in with a chip on his shoulder James takes it gently off and smooths out the said gent's ruffled disposition by a few quiet well spoken words. Besides that he is a fashion plate sartorially.

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Larry Barrett, former policeman, the adonis of the Bush Street Station is now proprietor of Bohemian Garage, the largest down town.

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Patrolman Thomas Buckley, overseas sergeant who walks a beat from 20th to Army on Mission Street gets a gander from many of the flappers along his beat. He is over six feet tall and the movie makers overlooked a bet when they did not grab him off for some of their Romeo stuff. He has the looks to go with his size.

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Captain John J. O'Meara of the Mission District says that Leo McAllister one of the night engineers on the district's twin-two gets more telephone calls than any officer of the station.

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Mounted Officer Ed Pigeon out on the beach says he thinks that his brother officer Arthur Dolan had that old whale skeleton moved over on his beat, and he started proceedings the other day to have the sea-elephant's carcass removed back to the foot of the Cliff drive, where it has furnished eye food for the mobs for years.

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"The 'Coue' System" has found its way into the San Francisco police department. The writer was passing a certain traffic officer the other day, stationed at Second and Market streets and overheard him saying over and over to himself, "Year by year as I stand here my 'dogs' is getting flatter and flatter."

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Well, anyhow, Sergeant Christiansen shot and killed a big hawk out at the Ingleside station the other day. The "sarge" says the darn bird might have strayed down on Powell street and then there would have been the "dickens" to pay.

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Officer Charles Jenkins of the Central District can say "hello" in more different languages than any policeman in the city.

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Special Officer Milton Cohen is making a record for himself in the Sunset and Parkside districts where at all hours of the night he's busy gumshoeing it around for the elusive night prowler. Suspicious characters are Cohen's meat, the householders are rapidly learning. Cohen is as regular as clockwork. He's always on the job.

Captain Arthur Layne is one of the smallest men in the ranks of the police captains but he don't let that bother him much.

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Captain Eugene Wall of the Ingleside District says that it is a cinch to close up the sidewalk bootlegging joints, but where the police will have a job is to ferret out the "speakeasies" that will move upstairs. We'll say the captain said something when he said that.

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Lieutenant Dan Collins of the Mission District says that his section can boast of some of the finest climate in the city.

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Patrolman Patrick O'Connell No. 2 of the Bush District was hurrying to the scene of a cafe hold-up on Van Ness Avenue near Ellis Street the other day when he stumbled upon an automobile from which hung the legs of a man. "What's the idea," said the officer? "What's the idea," said the owner of the legs? "Youse is the second guy that has bumped into me and I wantcha to quit it." After finding out that the restaurant proprietor had been robbed of some \$15 by the there bandits, O'Connell took the gent with the dangling legs to the station as he was in an advanced stage of intoxication. On frisking the party, the policeman fished out \$750 in bills from the prisoner's pockets. "Well," said the officer, "if them 'redhots' (meaning auto bandits) didn't overlook a swell bet when they let that guy go on sleeping in his automobile." The next morning the drunk charge was dismissed, and the prisoner was handed his roll by Corporal Charles Ward of the property clerk's office.

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James Kinney, or "Jimmy" as he is known throughout the Mission, drives the day "jit" for the Mission Station. Jimmy knows everybody from Market to the Bay from Third Street to the county line. All the kids love him, and he is their arbiter when trouble arises. The same is true of many grownups, and it is said out at the station he has stopped more divorce suits by using a little friendly talk than all the policemen in the city. Jimmy is always scouting around to find some worthy family to help out and is never too busy to gather a few necessities for the needy.

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Traffic policemen of Washington, D. C., are forbidden to "bawl out" offending motorists. San Francisco policemen as a rule do but little "bawling out."

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Because of the centralization of all charity work under the direction of the Community Chest campaign managers, the Mardi Gras ball this year for the benefit of the Children's Hospital after fifteen years, will be canceled.

The chief of police of Mitchell, S. D., has had his salary cut to \$1.00 a year. He would have a hard time making a buck a year last him in San Francisco, having to buy uniforms, equipment and so on.

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After eleven years of operation by the city, the Municipal Railway system has proven a financial success. It has paid its bonded indebtedness as the bonds came due, taken care of all interest and advanced money for upkeep and extending the system. The operation of this system is one of the tributes of Mayor Rolph's administration.

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Detectives Richard Hughes and Tom Hyland arrested Tony Cochran, Dec. 2. Cochran was wanted for burglary and passing forged checks, which he is alleged to have stolen from the room of G. H. Reynolds, 804 Eddy Street. One of the victims of the forged checks was the Diamond Trunk Store, Market Street.

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Officers Harvey Deline and R. L. Rauer nabbed one Frank Smith with about \$500 worth of cocaine and morphine on his person and in his room, November 26th. Smith was getting ready to do business in a Mason Street restaurant but was nipped before he got started. The officers are to be commended for their watchfulness.

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Captain Herbert Wright of the Bush District wants the boys to know that he had nothing to do with the enactment of this new enforcement law.

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Special Duty Officer, Frank Cummings of the Mission probably knows as many of the Wobblies as any officer in the city. Besides that he has a fair knowledge of a lot of the work the police did during the war having been on Captain John J. O'Meara's neutrality squad during the late unpleasantness.

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Detectives William Milliken and Gus Thompson of the automobile shotgun squad "knocked over" three "bad ones" January 8, when they took into custody three youths in a stolen auto, who are being held as the gang of bandits who a few days before had stuck up a half dozen people throughout the city. The lads were getting in a stolen machine belonging to Thomas Hagel of Lodi. The detectives had been watching the car for two hours where it was located by them on Market street at Brady after being reported stolen. Their vigil was rewarded by the appearance of the three boys, who admitted stealing the machine. They said they recently came from the East. They were not of the experienced type of eastern crook or they would have known they would "fall" before they got very far along in a career of crime in San Francisco.

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COMMISSIONER J. B. COOK

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rank of sergeant of police on February 18, 1895, and in that capacity performed police service in Chinatown, the Harbor Police District, and on September 16, 1907, he was appointed Property Clerk to the police department. This position demanded accuracy in the handling of property coming into the hands of the department and due to to the integrity and efficiency displayed by him as Property Clerk he was on December 23, 1908, appointed Chief Executive of the police department.

As Chief of Police he ably carried out every trust imposed upon him and on February 10, 1910, he was retired on a pension under the provisions of the charter. Notwithstanding the fact that after February 10, 1910, he was no longer actively connected with the department it did not mean that the excellent services he performed since his appointment on February 13, 1889, were forgotten, because we find that on January 8, 1912, he was appointed by His Honor Mayor James Rolph, a Police Commissioner of this city and county in which capacity he is at present acting. The success which Police Commissioner Cook has achieved in the line of police endeavors is one which any young man may well emulate. From his early manhood he had one object in mind and that was to specialize in police affairs. He was willing to start at the bottom so he might learn the fundamental points of the game. Needless, to say, it took a man of considerable courage to leave his home town in the early '80's and go to the Lone Star State for the purpose of keeping peace and quiet among the cowboys and broncho-busters of the plains of Texas. Step after step he consistently carried out with the one object in mind of rendering the best that was in him until finally we find him seated in the pinnacle of police honor by sitting as Commissioner having power and jurisdiction to regulate and control the destinies of our police department.

The Commissioner's advice to our prospective police officers is to be always ready and willing to accept a post which is given them by legitimate authority without criticism of any kind, work faithfully and carry out consistently every task assigned. To his mind there is no necessity of shouting from the housetops the merits one possesses as in seasonable time merit will be recognized and rewarded accordingly.

Four conventions are scheduled for this month in San Francisco. Principal among them was the State Traffic Officers convention in the city during the second week of the month.

Achieving a Competence

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CORONER AND POLICE WORK TOGETHER

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investigating a crime. The examination of the walls or the floor will sometimes tell a story if there can be found spots of blood on them. The blood will possibly tell you the position the man was in when he was assaulted, shot or struck or stabbed. The way the blood spots point will to a man who has studied the matter indicate whether the man was sitting, standing or lying down when he received his death blow or shot. Other spots will indicate whether a struggle followed the assault, or whether the man was carried or dragged to where the body was found.

The shoes should be examined carefully. The spots of blood, if any are found, will also tell a story. The soles of the shoes may have blood on them, which will indicate that the man walked after he had been attacked. Examine the soil on the shoes. It may tell whether the deceased was dragged from a vacant lot or a road. This examination of the shoes is indeed important.

If the body is on a bed let no one disturb the clothing and other clothing and wad them all carefully arrange them for removal to headquarters or the morgue. The same may be said of clothing that is worn by the dead man. Put them on hangers if possible. I have seen men take bed clothing and other clothing and wad them all up and cram them into a sack destroying valuable evidence by so doing.

Be careful that no one handles a blood stained weapon. A revolver or pistol should always be examined closely at the scene of the crime. A skilled detective can determine if it has been discharged recently or not.

No one should handle powder marked garments but the detective in charge for a little manipulation may rub the marks off.

Always search for weapons. Don't be satisfied in finding one. See if there may not be more, for the one first found may not have been the one used in the commission of the crime at all. Or it may have been placed there to deceive some one.

In passing I will say that from my experience I should say that the greatest agency in the prevention of crime is the patrolman. A patrolman who does his ordinary duties, faithfully and regularly. We all believe some in theories and modern apparatus for solving crimes, but after all a good brave, trusted policeman on the beat is the best protection from crime.

Study should be the aim of every policeman, and especially those of the detective bureau. They should all engage in good constructive study and reading.



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POLICE BASEBALL TEAM GOES INTO SECOND PLACE

On Sunday afternoon, January 7th the San Francisco Police Baseball Team went into second place in the National League of the two city organizations, when she defeated the Sewell Cushion Wheel Club by a score of 13 to 3, they being but a half a game behind the league leaders, the Levi Strauss team.

The boys of blue certainly did hammer in the runs and they gave the cash customers a pleasant afternoon.

They are fighting every minute no matter what the lead. Captain Iredale disputed a decision of Umpire McWilliams and was put out of the game, his place being taken by Olsen at second, while Hanley was appointed field captain.

Reynolds Kelly held the boys of the Sewell team down to 12 scattered hits and struck out 10 men. He was also good at the bat.

Hanley played a fast game at first while Olsen stopped many runs by his work at second.

Pitcher Kelly leads the league of regulars in batting, having an average of .486 while Hanley comes second with .476.

The following boys are all in the select .300 class; Flanagan, Reed, Lazzeri, Desmond and catcher Ritchie.

Desmond leads the league in scoring runs.

Lieutenant Jack Casey, manager of the Police Team, declares he will have his boys leading the league when the final game is played of the season, on January 28. If he does he will meet the winners of the American League of this city. As the remaining games for the police department to play are ones that have been easy victims in past contests it looks like Lieutenant Casey would cop the flag.

There is not a harder hitting bush team in this section of the state than the wielders of the police club and they are attracting larger crowds than any other team in the series.

The boys in the business office say that Officer William Kearny who is recognized as one of the best cooks in the city, has mastered the problem of cooking without sherry, since the Volstead act has become operative.

FORMER POLICE COMMISSIONER M. A. GUNST IS ELECTED DIRECTOR OF BANK

At the annual meeting of the directors of the Anglo and London Paris National Bank yesterday, M. A. Gunst was elected a director of the bank. The administrative and executive personnel was re-elected for the year.

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POLICING A CHINESE CITY

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called into operation and each policeman, regardless of nationality did his share toward keeping peace and order in the city. Crimes such as hold-ups, burglaries, and murders were almost unknown, but during the months that followed the closing of the war a crime epidemic started. Mikimotos, one of the largest jewelry shops on Nanking Road, was robbed between the hours of 12 and 5 in the morning. The only clue the police had was the page of a Russian newspaper found in the store. At three o'clock that afternoon five men were arrested in a Russian boarding-house in the Honkew district who confessed their guilt. This crime was run down by Chinese detectives, who seem to have an uncanny faculty for unravelling intricate situations. These detectives and partolmen on the street are under the supervision of a white police inspector responsible to the chief inspector in the Central station.

The Chinese have become emboldened since the advent of the moving pictures, and have put into practice some of the crimes depicted upon the screen; such as boring through walls, undermining foundations and making use of the automobile, which he has stolen, to commit hold-ups. Due to the efficiency of the police and speedy court action crime waves do not last long.

Shanghai also has its traffic problems which are taken care of by a corp of well trained traffic officers, principally made up of the tall handsome Seke who wears his customary turban of many colors. This department is headed by an officer whose duties are similar to those of Captain Gleeson of the Traffic Bureau of the San Francisco police department.

As is well known, the streets of China are very narrow, the principal street of Shanghai, Nanking Road is about as wide as Montgomery street. This street is traversed by a double-tracked electric carline and is the main artery into the residential districts. Besides the car-line thousands of richshas hauled by Chinese and hundreds of automobiles use this main thoroughfare during the rush hours of the morning, noon and evening. Hauling which is done on a one-wheeled affair similar to our wheel-barrow and manipulated by a coolie is diverted to Szchuen Road. This road crosses Nanking Road and figures have been compiled which show that at the intersection of these two streets during the rush hours, traffic is greater than in most large cities of the world. To handle this traffic problem it requires five policemen and they are so efficient that tie-ups are rare occurrences.

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CONSCIENCE HURTS; SURRENDERS

The last of the old "horse and buggy" bandits who operated in the days before the automobiles became popular with the knights of the road walked into the Los Angeles police station this month and asked to be locked up.

He said he was Joseph Riordan, who 14 years ago with Frank Gorman, another notorious crook, held up and shot James Thompson, a bridge contractor and robbed him of \$3200.

He told the southern police that he and his partner were in a bank when they saw Thompson get his money for the payroll. They followed him to Steuart and Mission streets where they tried to stop Thompson. The contractor refused to stop. They shot him, grabbed the money sack, jumped into his buggy, whipped up the horse and sped along the Embarcadero. At Battery and Broadway they were halted by a traffic jam. Gorman was captured by Policeman Jack Dower, Riordan dashed through the crowd and eluded capture.

According to his story, his conscience has bothered him all these years, and this coupled with the fact that he said he could not find out whether Thompson died, made him decide to face his punishment. Thompson is still alive according to the records obtained here and is living near Inverness.

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THE SERGEANTS HUNCH

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reporters having phoned from their headquarters at the Central Emergency a few minutes before and been told there was nothing doing.

The man was probably 40 years old. His face was thin, clean shaven and marked with lines of suffering. The forehead was high—the forehead of a thinker, a dreamer.

"He's coming around," said the doctor. "A slight concussion."

The patient sighed, opened his eyes and closed them again as his face became convulsed with pain. Presently he opened his eyes again.

"The game's up," spoke the sergeant heavily. "Why did you kill Arthur Warrington?"

The man looked at the sergeant for a moment, glanced at the doctor and me, and then turned to the uniformed man again.

"Yes, I suppose the game's up." His hands clenched. A snarl of hate twisted his lips.

"I'll tell you why I killed Arthur Warrington!" he shouted shrilly. "He stole my wife. He broke up my home. Ethel—" he broke into terrible sobs.

"Ethel," I said to the sergeant, "that was the name on the note."

The murderer's weeping changed suddenly into a scornful laugh. "I faked my wife's handwriting. Oh, I tell you, I had this thing thought out to the smallest detail. If it hadn't been—say," he turned to the sergeant with a look of begrudging admiration, "you should get a promotion for this. You've got brains. Why, I practiced for months blowing at a mark with a dart until I could hit a dime at twenty yards. My whistle was specially made with two bores, one made to fit the darts. For weeks I studied the way of blind men—beggars. And for the past week I have been sitting there playing my tune, dressed in these filthy rags, so that there could be no possible suspicion directed to me. And I had planned to stay there a day or so longer. My business associates thought I was in New York. My alibi was complete."

"Who are you?" asked the sergeant.

And I breathed quickly at the answer: "Rocklyn. William H. Rocklyn."

For Rocklyn was a name to conjure with in financial, social and political circles of the state.

My words tripped over themselves as I hit the phone and gave my paper the news.

Later I sought out Sergeant McGrath. Something puzzled me.

"What made you suspect that guy?" I asked.

"Well," answered Sergeant McGrath slowly.

"As I stood there with you I saw him move his chair out of the way of the blood, which was running down the walk toward his feet. And it didn't seem reasonable for a blind man to do that. It just wasn't natural, that's all, son."



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STATE TRAFFIC OFFICERS MEET

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tions for testing headlights adopted by the Illuminating Engineers' Society in February, 1922.

Headlight Adjustment

Providing for the appointment of adjusting agencies to provide regulations by which motorists may have headlights adjusted and for the issuance of permits when such regulations have been complied with.

Prohibiting use of so-called muffler cut-off on any highway.

Requiring the operator of any overtaken vehicle not to obstruct the car overtaking him and not to increase his speed when overtaken.

Restoring the old rule giving the right of way to vehicles approaching from the right.

Prohibiting the parking of automobiles on main traveled portions of any highway preventing free passage of other vehicles at the same time.

Prohibiting parking of automobiles in front of exits to private or public garages.

Providing that pedestrians shall cross streets to regular places designated and only at signal of traffic officer when such officer is stationed there.

Making an accessory to the theft of an automobile guilty of a felony.

Giving the courts the right to suspend chauffeurs' licenses for a period not to exceed six months.

Providing more severe penalties for persons operating cars after their license has been suspended or revoked.

Requiring drivers to stop at grade crossings on the signal of watchmen.

Giving officers the right to stop cars and inspect them as to the sufficiency of brakes.

Giving such officers the right to remove from the highway any disabled motor vehicle.

Prescribing a graduated system of fines for violating the law relative to weight of loads on the highways.

Requiring red lights and license tag within 12 inches of rear fender.

Charles Howard of the Howard Company put a specially painted Buick car at the disposal of the association as the official car for the three day meet. He also furnished a fleet of new Buicks to convey the visitors to the home of Mayor Rolph, as well as to other points of the city.

On Tuesday night a banquet was held at the St. Francis Hotel presided over by Chief O'Brien as toastmaster. Mayor Rolph, Theodore Roche, president of the police commission, Commissioner Andrew Mahony, Police Judge Lisle Jacks, Chief James Drew of Oakland, Captain Henry Gleeson,

Judge Cornell of Chowchilla, Chief O'Brien all made addresses. A special program of music was furnished and the management of the St. Francis invited the officers and their women folk to dance in the big ball room.

Wednesday the meeting after cleaning up a small round of routine business adjourned. After adjournment they were taken for a drive throughout the city and down the peninsula in a fleet of over 30 Oakland automobiles furnished by the local Oakland agency.

The delegates were given a farewell banquet at the Merchant's Inn by Dr. Fred Carfagni.

Many sorts of entertainment were provided for the boys and to the local committee in charge of all arrangements came many words of commendation for the manner in which they handled the convention.

Captain Henry Gleeson of the traffic Bureau was chairman of the committee, with Chief O'Brien on ex-officio member. Fred Lotsey of the traffic bureau was secretary and he had every detail running as smooth as a twelve cylinder car. Other members of the committee were from the traffic bureau as follows: Charles Hansen, Elmer Esperance, James Mackey, Jr., Draper Hand, Al Birdsall, Fred Bowerman, Joe Perry, Patrick B. Mahoney.

BEING A POLICE CHIEF'S WIFE (Continued from Page 10)

him. It was very evident, to me, however, that such was not the fact as she stated that her main enjoyment of life was the sitting down quietly in the evening to a dinner prepared by herself at home. She well realizes the uncertainty of police life and mentioned particularly the loneliness that is caused in the homes of our policemen by the fact that the vast majority of them are compelled to work during the night hours for well nigh a score of years before assigned to a day watch. She stated that, of course, this is undoubtedly one of the rules of life and that as patience has always been one of the outstanding virtues of our women folks they are no doubt contented with their lot.

The one thing that impressed me more than any other during my interview with Mrs. O'Brien was the keen delight she takes in boosting San Francisco. Of course, she is a native of this city and naturally looks upon it with considerable respect. She is firmly convinced that anything that is done for the advancement of our queen city will reflect to the dignity of each of its residents. I believe this has been the great factor which makes her contented with the many disappointments caused by the calling out of the Chief both day and night and necessitating his changing of plans with but a few moments notice.

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Holman is the first man to really break jail in the new city prison and it will be many a day before another one makes a getaway for the chief has made some changes that makes the place break proof

He escaped from our City Prison on December 21st, 1922.

Description—Age 26 years; height 5 feet, 7½ inches; weight 121 pounds; eyes grey-blue; hair medium chestnut; Complexion medium fair; occupation clerk; nativity California.

Two scars below nail of left thumb; scar below nail of right thumb; flesh mole in front of left ear; two moles below left cheek bone.

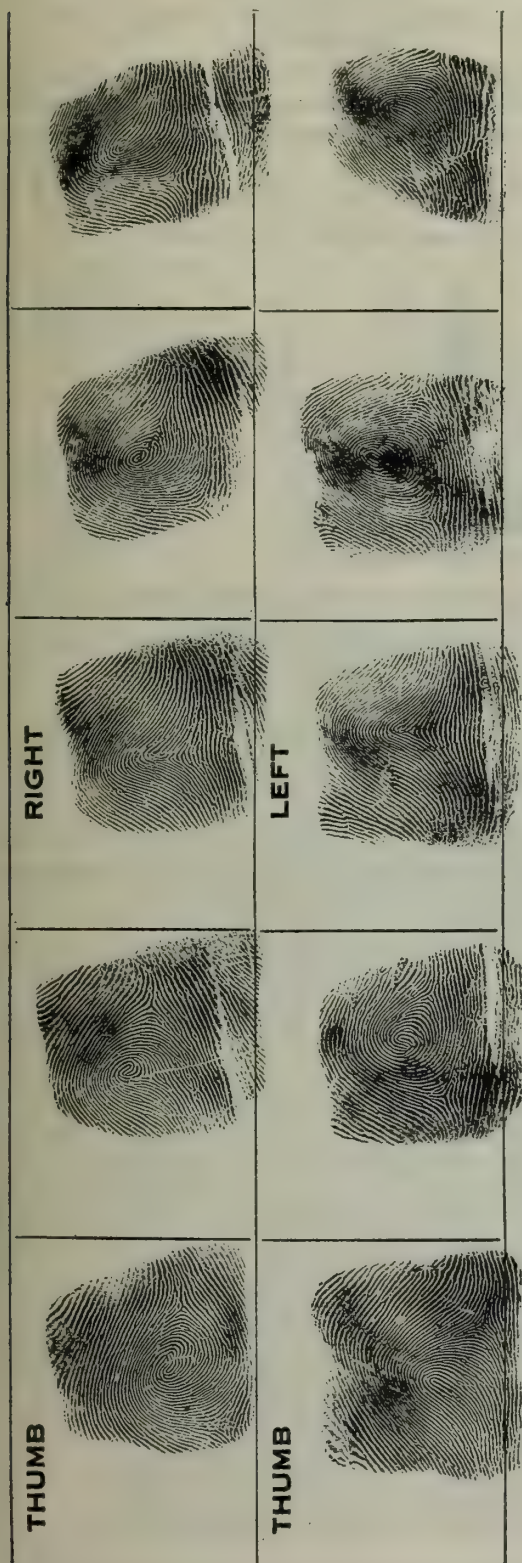
This man is a dangerous criminal. He was discharged from San Quentin Prison July 22nd, 1922, after serving one year to life from San Joaquin County, charge: lewd and lascivious act on an eight-year-old child.

San Quentin No. 32109. Stockton No. 5523.

Keep a sharp lookout for this man and if located, arrest, hold and wire me, and I will send officer with proper papers for him.

D. J. O'BRIEN,
Chief of Police.

(December 28th, 1922.)



MAYOR ROLPH AND "DOUGLAS 20"

Mr. John F. Quinn,
Business Manager, "Douglas 20",

My Dear Mr. Quinn:

I was deeply interested in reading the initial issue of Douglas 20, the official publication of the Police Department.

In the nearly eleven years, that I have had the honor of being Mayor of San Francisco, it has often occurred to me, that a more thorough understanding by the public of the workings of the Police Department, of the difficult problems which you are called upon to solve, and of the difficulties under which you often times work, would be of distinct advantage to everyone concerned.

I feel that no Police Department in the United States enjoys a more sincere respect than does that of San Francisco, and this is a respect which is well merited.

The list of San Francisco policemen who have given their lives in the performance of their duty, is an imposing one, and beyond this, there are countless cases of heroism unrecorded, and known only to veterans of the service, which place San Francisco's Police Department in high rank among the police departments of the world.

I feel that it is a wise move to provide for our policemen and police officials, a channel through which their views may be disseminated among themselves and may reach the general public.

This should be easy of accomplishment through the medium of "Douglas 20," under the able direction of yourself as Business Manager, and of Mr. Opie L. Warner, a friend of mine of many years' standing, as Editor.

There should be no difficulty in securing an adequate circulation, once the initial number of your magazine with is announced features has appeared, and I am sure that "Douglas 20" will prove to be a valuable medium for the merchants of San Francisco to employ in making their business announcements.

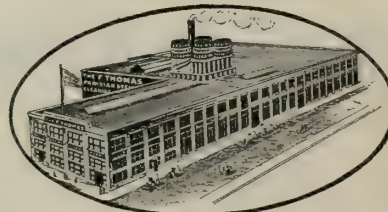
I wish you every success in your very worthy enterprise, and I hope that as the months and years pass by, "Douglas 20" will become ever more and more valuable as the official publication of the San Francisco Police Department, and as a journal of interest and information for the San Francisco public.

Very sincerely yours,

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Finger Printing

By PETER FANNING, *Finger Print Operator of the San Francisco Police Department Who Has Taken Over 122,000 Prints in 10 Years*

For ten years I have been surrounding myself with the lines and whorls and deltas, the radials and all the complications and complexities of one of the most interesting scientific and practical studies known to man. The study and investigation of finger prints has become more than a science, it is now really an art.

From the days when the unchangeability of the lines of the human hand was first disclosed "day by day in every way" new discoveries have been made and new learning acquired.

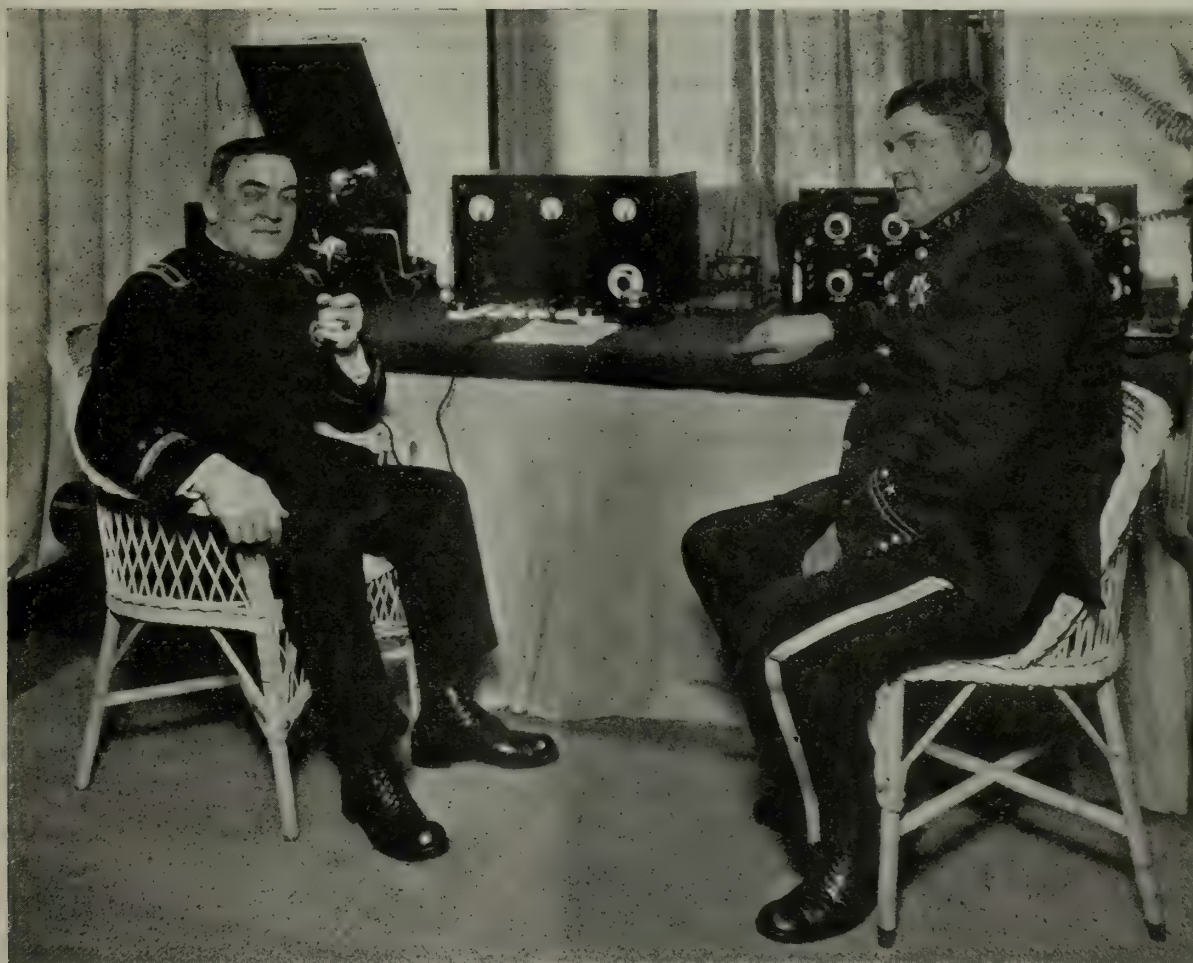
Based on the underlying principles announced many years ago, the Police Department and Identification officials of the various investigation departments of the world have so perfected the classification and so compiled the records and exemplars of the prints taken, that almost in the twinkling of an eye the identity of a person can be established by the identity of the finger prints taken. Indeed this fact has become so well known to the men of the criminal world that almost invariably as soon as they are brought

into the presence of an acknowledged finger print expert, they make confession of their identity and save the operator time and labor necessary by new finger prints to establish identity by comparison with the finger prints already taken.

In my own experience in the San Francisco Police Department, it is by no means unusual for a man to say when brought into our department, "Oh, what is the use to take up time, you've got me already. I can't get away from it."

It is not my purpose to enter into a dissertation of the science of finger printing or finger print comparison. It may however be interesting to know how the records are kept and classified so that identification can be unmistakably made in a very short time.

When a prisoner is brought into our department, we take prints of all the fingers on both hands and make twenty-two copies thereof. The finger prints are made by pressing the finger on a pad of ordinary printer's ink and then the prints are transferred to card board forms on



RADIO - Chief O'Brien and His Assistant, James Neely

which the position of the thumbs, fingers and right and left hands are printed, always in the same square laid out on the card-board. This card board also contains the record of the prisoner's name, his former prison record, if any, and a memorandum of the classification to which these particular finger prints refer, together with a memorandum of reference to all similar finger prints.

The lines are so well defined and so different in most individuals as compared with any other that the classification to which the finger prints belong, immediately brings us to indexed cases in which all finger prints of similar classification are contained and thereafter it is a matter of detail only to compare this particular one with the others of the same classification and a matter of but short time to establish their identity, with that of any other already on file.

The classification is based on the number and character of formation of lines on each particular individual's fingers, which in the language of our department, are termed "patterns". All patterns of the same type are kept together and then the difference between one print of the same pattern and another of the same pattern is readily observed as well as their similarity.

To show the importance of this work, as well as its extent, in the course of my 10 years experience in the Police Department, I have taken over 122,000 imprints. At the same rate if I had been working in this Bureau from the time I first entered the department until this date, I would have taken about 366,000 imprints because I have been thirty years in the department. This would be some record to look back on for any one individual.

It may be also interesting to know that experience has assured the finger print "operator" that is to say the practical man who takes the countless prints a judgment of certainty, and an assurance of opinion almost infallible in the view of Courts and juries even as against the well-established professional expert of extreme classical attainment.

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS ELECTION

At the last regular meeting of the Patrol Special Police Officers Protective Association the following named officers were elected for the ensuing term:

President.....	Mose Engle
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During the month of September of this year 188 cars were reported stolen from all sources. In other cities throughout the country from twenty to fifty cars unrecovered each month is a normal loss. In San Francisco, however, the average number of cars that are never again returned is four.

For the first time in history every car of the 188 stolen in the month of September have been recovered and restored to their owners.

William L. Hughson, president of the Motor Car Dealers' Association, in commenting upon this record, stated: "It is highly gratifying to know we have such a splendid Police Department, which can achieve such a result. This will stand as a mark at which to shoot."

A. F. Lemberger, general manager of the Motor Car Dealers' Association, stated: "The results of the campaign instituted several years ago to cut down the number of automobile thefts in San Francisco is bearing remarkable fruit. The enthusiastic co-operation extended by the police and detective department is happy indeed, and the results achieved put San Francisco in a class by itself."

In Epsteen's report he gives the credit for the recovery of every automobile stolen in the entire month to the detective department under Captain Duncan Matheson, and the following constituting the automobile detail of the detective department, commonly known as the "shotgun squad." Arthur McQuiade, sergeant in charge; William C. Gilmore, clerk; John J. Cannon, George Wall, Charles Dullea, Phillip Lindecker, Michael E. Mitchell, Peter J. Hughes, William Milliken, Augustus Tompkins, Nicholas Barron, James Pearl and William Heagerty.

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Should Insanity Defense Be Abolished?

By JUDGE CURTIS D. WILBUR, *Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of California*
Detailed Discussion of Subject

The code of the State of California, like that of most of her sister states, declares that idiots, lunatics and insane persons are not capable of committing crimes. No matter how many people are killed by such persons or how many houses or towns are burned by them, no crime at all has been committed. The damage done by the lunatic is just as real and just as great is if he were sane, but the killing of a human being is no offense because there was no mind capable of understanding the wrongfulness of the killing and although the lunatic fully intended to kill and knew that he was taking human life, no offense against the law is committed.

Having determined that a defendant is insane the criminal law discharges the defendant; the homicidal maniac to kill; the idiotic pervert to commit other sexual crimes; the pyromaniac to burn more houses and the kleptomaniac to steal. The lunatic released from custody with a verdict and judgment of the court declaring him irresponsible may kill and destroy indiscriminately, for, like the King, he "can do no wrong." On this subject Blackstone says: "Yet in the case of absolute madmen, as they are not answerable for their actions, they should not be permitted the liberty of acting unless under proper control; and, in particular, they ought not to be suffered to go loose, to the terror of the king's subjects. It was the doctrine of our ancient law that persons deprived of their reason might be confined till they recovered their senses, without waiting for the forms of a commission or other special authority from the crown; and now, by the vagrant acts, a method is chalked out for imprisoning, chaining and sending them to their proper homes."

As Henry M. Boies says in his work, "The Science of Penology," "A criminal who is insane is much more dreaded and dangerous to be at large than a sane one."

It is clear that the criminal law in extending immunity to the idiot and the insane has in this instance wholly ignored the fact that the purpose of all punishment is to protect the public from other criminal acts by the sane or other persons, and not to avenge an injury.

It is obvious that the welfare of the public demands that homicidal maniacs, pyromaniacs, kleptomaniacs, and sex perverts should not be permitted to run at large, without supervision, and this danger points to the necessity of doing away with insanity as a complete defense to a criminal charge. England has solved this problem in a very practical but perfectly illogical manner, for the defendant acquitted on the ground of insanity is committed to an asylum for life, nominally "during the King's pleasure," so that they are called "King's pleasure lunatics," no matter how sane they may be when committed or afterwards become. Hence in practice in England insanity is never interposed as a defense except in capital cases.

There is, however, another and more important reason for a change in our system. At present, the defense of insanity is a trap for the insane, and a way of escape for the sane.

It is a humbug, a pretense, a cloak for hypocrisy, an invitation to murder all too frequently accepted by the jealous lover, the discarded mistress, the indignant father or outraged husband.

The average jury acquits the man or woman who does exactly as the jurors would have done

under the same circumstances, and this upon the ground of insanity; on the other hand the very barbarity and shocking cruelty of the really insane man usually results in a verdict of guilty.

The idea of the so-called "unwritten law" has so taken hold of the imagination of the people that we constantly hear respectable and worthy citizens assert that under certain circumstances they would ruthlessly and publicly execute the offender against their house and fireside. They have no vision of the gallows or of the prison before them, but expect the plaudits of their friends and a triumphant acquittal upon the ground of insanity. The trial of the murderer becomes a trial of the dead man. His villainies are exaggerated and multiplied. The more wicked the defendant believed the murdered man to be, and the more this belief departs from the actual facts, the more clear the evidence of insanity. The dead man may have been led to his undoing by a vampire, but to the jury she is the wronged wife, daughter or sweetheart. Thus blind justice liberates the murderer and besmirches the reputation of the dead. The prosecutor cannot defend the dead by his evidence, because such evidence would only prove more more clearly the insanity of the defendant by showing that the beliefs of the defendant were insane delusions!

The absurd results of criminal trials where insanity is a defense grows in part out of the practical difficulties in the trial of so intricate and elusive a question as insanity before a jury of laymen. These difficulties cannot be fully discussed within the limits of this paper. The outstanding difficulty is with the method of securing experts and eliciting their testimony. This difficulty is universally recognized.

I cannot do better on this subject than to quote from Oppenheimer on "The Criminal Responsibility of Lunatics." "I cannot help feeling," says he, "that those writers, legal and medical, who attempt to revolutionize the organization of our courts for the trial of lunatics or alleged lunatics accused of crime, are beginning at the wrong end.

"Scientific Penology at the beginning of the twentieth century, then, demands that the law shall enforce an examination by an expert alienist, of every prisoner accused of crime whose record, appearance, or offense indicates a possibility of mental aberration, or who pleads insanity in defense; and that all who are judged from such examination irresponsible or mentally diseased, shall be committed under an indeterminate sentence to a special hospital for the criminal insane.

"When a person shows symptoms of being sick, or diseased, a doctor is called to decide what is the matter with him, and to prescribe the treatment. When mental disease is made a defense against a charge of criminality the examination and evidence

of expert alienists should be required by the State to decide the facts, and make the proofs with authority to the jury.

"The expert should be called by the State; to act in an impartial judicial state of mind, and not to search for reasons or arguments to sustain the position of either the prosecution or defense. Experience with expert evidence has produced the conclusion that it may be procured to support or contest either side of almost every case. It



Judge Curtis D. Wilbur

would seem that the facts will be best discerned and made known by the employment by the State of an alienist of acknowledged ability and experience, whose decisions shall be accepted as decisive by both prosecution and defense, and so the confusion from a conflict of expert testimony avoided."

In confirmation of what is said by Mr. Oppenheimer, it may be stated that in a capital case recently before the Supreme Court of the State, and in which the defendant is now awaiting execution, there were on the defendant's side five witnesses who had spent more than a score of years each in the study of insanity and on the side of the State two witnesses, one of whom could not tell the difference between a delusion and an hallucination, and the other rather triumphantly declared on cross examination that he had never been locked up with the insane.

Another outstanding difficulty is that the expert testimony introduced is not predicated upon the actual truth concerning the person under investigation, but is based upon erroneous and often false testimony.

These conflicts between experts are hopelessly bewildering to a jury, particularly where judges

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Commissioner Dr. Thomas E. Shumate

Well Known Medical Man Who for Years Was Police Surgeon of San Francisco Department and a Member of Commission for Ten Years

Dr. Thomas E. Shumate, for ten years a police commissioner, whose photograph adorns the first page of this issue of Douglas 20, has two hobbies. One is farming and the other is the San Francisco Police Department. Aside from these he is a mighty busy man with his activities as a practicing physician and surgeon, as manager of the large chain of Shumate drug stores and as head of the St. Francis Hospital.

Dr. Shumate has been closely identified with the San Francisco Police Department for nearly thirty years. In 1894, after completing a course in the

in the '90's up to the present time. He has seen the old type of operations employed by the thieves of thirty years ago change from the crude, rough and unorganized methods to the more or less polished and organized ways used today.

He has seen the growing necessity for closer co-operation and the introduction of new ways of dealing with situations that each year brings, and he has seen the San Francisco Police Department measure up and meet each situation as it developed until today as he says we have a department without a peer in this country.

As to farming, Dr. Shumate has one of the grandest country places down the peninsula. At Los Altos he has a 500 acre ranch. On this ranch he raises blooded horses and mules. He has hundreds of acres set to walnuts, apricots and other deciduous fruits, together with over 1,000 different kinds of flowers, plants and shrubbery, gathered from all parts of the world. A mansion that can be seen for miles stands out on the hillside of his ranch, and his place is one of the show places of Santa Clara county.

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With all these great variety of interests he keeps in close touch with each and every one of them and each and every one of them carry out in detail his policy of giving happiness and help to all, and Mayor James Rolph, Jr., was indeed fortunate in getting Dr. Shumate to take an appointment as Police Commissioner, and the policemen are fortunate in having such a man heading them.



Dr. Thomas E. Shumate

old Cooper Institute following his graduation from the University of California in 1890, he served a short time in the Emergency Hospital service and then from 1894 to 1900 was police surgeon to the local department.

As police surgeon he was brought into close and intimate touch with the home and private life of the members, and as such has a close understanding of their trials, problems and ambitions.

This understanding has always remained with him and today, sitting as a member of the commission, he brings into his deliberations a sympathy born during the days when he looked after the health of the policemen of San Francisco.

Dr. Shumate has seen the police department and its problems evolve from those early days

The Search For Poisons

By PROFESSOR FRANK T. GREEN, *University of California and Toxicologist to Dr. T. B. W. Leland, Coroner for City and County*

When seeking information one naturally turns to the specialist. The specialist in poisons is the toxicologist who is often attached to the office of the coroner. This office is an ancient one dating back to the reign of King Alfred. It is not my purpose to turn backward the pages of history, dwelling upon the successful efforts to reveal the presence of poisons in foods of human remains, but rather to present a short resume of the duties of the toxicologist to the coroner of San Francisco. The same source of analytical procedure is pursued when seeking knowledge of any kind. For example, you lose an object which you are accustomed to carry. At once you mentally retrace each step and movement. A deviation, irregularity or unusual occurrence, however trifling, may open a pathway leading to the recovery of the lost object.

To be definite, the personal delivery of the stomach, through the autopsy surgeon—this evidence contained in an unused jar, sealed and locked in a tin box, accompanied by a printed form in which the name, date, messenger's name, and autopsy surgeon's brief statement, together with a return receipt on the part of the toxicologist, is the opening page in the unfolding of that which chemistry may reveal.

One of the required qualifications of a chemist is to conduct a preliminary examination, bearing in mind the history of the case. In order to do so he must heed the classification of poisons. Physicians classify them according to their physiological effects, whereas the chemist divides them into volatile, non-volatile, acid or alkaline, mineral or organic, alkloidal or containing a proximate principle.

It is not amiss to add that it is of the utmost importance that all vessels that he uses be free from the contamination of poison. Imagine the result of careless handling of strychnine (which was used for a control in order to verify tests and familiarize the chemist with its identity) and this same strychnine allowed to come in contact with vessels actually used in the analysis of the sample to be investigated. Let that doubt enter: the absolute validity of the sample and the labors of the toxicologist become futile.

The volatile poisons such as chloroform, carbolic and cyanide acids, wood alcohol and others pass over in the distillate, preferably in a current of steam. Only recently the search for chloroform

was made in a stomach submitted. The odor was not indicative for odors may be absorbed by the material or become masked by those of decomposition. The first definite testing was to search for organic chlorine which is a constituent of chloroform. In the first acid distillate, copper oxide alone will not impart a green color to flame. Let a halogen be present, for chlorine is a halogen, the chloride of copper is formed and the flame is green. A method of the write is to have a sheet of copper or a square of copper gauze heated until all possible halogen contamination has been volatilized, then expose the stomach below the oxide-coated incandescent metal. At once the blue green color of the freed chlorine, in combination with copper, appear.

Elements in chemistry have a way of masquerading in the form of compounds only to be freed by analytical methods. Many poisons are chemical compounds. To test them to pieces or to remove them intact from their environment is the practice of the analyst. Some compounds or even elements parallel each other to a certain extent, for example: I said a copper halide gave a green flame, so does barium which is a poison, likewise phosphor, give a green flame. By means of the spectroscope the flame can be analyzed and one may readily see the characteristic lines of the elements sought.

Another instance, the detection of arsenic which being tasteless, odorless and colorless, is the most insidious poison. The preliminary tests for the latter are dependable, its behavior in the analytical groups to which it belongs is characteristic, likewise the special tests for its identification. Passing still further for example, strychnine, an alkaloidal poison obtained from an East Indian plantation.

We have general reagents for alkaloids. After exhaustion, purification and concentration, if no tests indicate the present of an alkaloid no strychnine can be present for strychnine like morphine is an alkaloid. This class separation saves the chemist much work. Strychnine like many alkaloids or even other bodies yields colors with certain chemicals which we call reagents, also crystals of characteristic form which are discernable under the microscope. A very minute quantity is sufficient for its identification to one accustomed to such work. To mention further poisons described
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Welfare of The Police Department

By CHIEF OF POLICE DANIEL J. O'BRIEN, *Who Has Done Great Work in Bringing the Public and Police Closer Together*

In considering the welfare of this department and of its members the two things that have most impressed themselves upon my mind since becoming a member of it are: (1) the necessity of understanding the principles upon which this department is established, and (2) the ways and means to be put into operation to effect the purpose of our calling.

It is, of course, a matter of common knowledge that this department derives its powers from the constitution and laws of this state and from the charter of this municipality. Insofar as the welfare of the members of the department is concerned the charter of this city and county is largely our standard. By that medium our department is made subject to the will of the people and by following the legal methods laid down in that charter they have the power to alter the conditions under which we operate. This direct control, however, of the people of this city and county over our police department has proven successful not only to our municipality but to the individual members of the department. It permits us to carry out the trust imposed upon us without fear or favor and without any spirit of partisanship—the people in the last resort being the judges of our actions.

It is, indeed, with considerable satisfaction that we can reflect on the standing of our department in this community. Not only have our members in general put forth their best efforts to protect life and property and prevent crime, but they have been found in the front ranks of every cause—whether national, state or municipal—in which public interest was at stake. We have well manifested on every occasion our willingness to make a sacrifice for a good cause. This unselfish spirit has had its own reward and I feel that our people do recognize this faithful service. All that is necessary in this respect is to examine the great majority of votes cast in our favor during elections in which the interests of this department were at stake. And insofar as matters effecting the public welfare are concerned we can point with pride to the whole-hearted co-operation we gave in the last Community Chest Drive when we turned into that Chest the sum of approximately fifteen thousand (15,000) dollars either in pledges or cash. Personally I feel that so long as we are ready, able and willing to manifest and put into effect a spirit of co-operation in matters of civic progress, as well as in the enforcement of penal laws and ordinances, we will continue to demand that high de-

gree of respect which has been shown to us on every occasion. San Francisco is known the world over as "The city that knows how." "The city with that spirit of liberality and hospitality second to none." And indeed it cannot be said that its police department is the least important factor in bringing about that degree of liberality and hospitality which has made it famous the world over.

To carry out our mission with that high degree of efficiency which is demanded by the American people at the present time in all public depart-



Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien

ments, it will be necessary for us to give considerable care and attention to the units composing this department. Close and whole-hearted co-operation must exist between the members of the department. No doubt, questions will arise from time to time which will present complications, and there should be no hesitancy on the part of one member of the department who is faced with such a situation to seek the aid and advice of others who he may feel are more competent through experience or otherwise to deal with the matter. Particular attention should be given to all newly-appointed members of the department. Notwithstanding any knowledge they may possess when coming into the department as to reasoning and analyzing of our criminal laws and ordinances and the rules and regulations of the department, there is unquestionably something lacking which can only

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Detective Mike Burke's Travel Record

By LARRY BOARDMAN, *Traveling Newspaperman, Police Reporter of The San Francisco Bulletin, Who Tells in his Paper of Officers Chasing Crooks 100,000*

Introducing Mike Burke, member of the San Francisco police force and probably the most travelin' detective in the world.

Burke started traveling twenty years ago last September, when he first joined the force, and he's been reeling off miles and miles ever since. And every time he goes on a trip he brings back a prospective member of the San Quentin Gentlemen's Leisure Hours Club.

During the years in which he has acted as chaperone for citizens destined to spend enforced vacations playing golf with a sixteen-pound hammer and a flock of rocks Burke has visited practically every city in the United States, Mexico and Canada. He has traveled several hundred thousand miles and has applied the "Come to California" slogan to more than 500 ladies and gentlemen to whom the San Francisco police were desirous of obtaining an introduction.

Burke's Record.

The remarkable thing about Burke's record is, however, that he has never used handcuffs, chains, bracelets or shackles—and not one prisoner has ever escaped him.

"That," said Burke, "is because I watch them, and they know I'm watching them.

"There isn't any sense in putting cuffs on a man. It just makes him feel mean. I always try to make them feel good—give them cigars, jolly them along and make 'em like it. The whole trick is to always keep between your man and the open air. When you go into a train always sit down with him next to the window and the window tight shut. When you go to bed always sleep with him on the inside of the berth."

Burke then said that the modern vestibule car makes it one hundred per cent easier to transport prisoners across the country without their getting away.

When asked the feelings of a man being brought back to justice, Burke said:

"Most of them take it all right. I try to be good company, and most always we have a pleasant, sociable trip."

Chicago Murderer.

In reminiscing about various cases he had been on, Burke told of the capture in San Francisco of John B. Koettters, known as "Handsome Jack," infamous as "the Chicago hammer murderer."

The murder, which caused a nation-wide sensation at the time, was committed in 1912. Koettters, who was 32 years of age, went to Cincinnati and made violent love to a rich widow, Mrs. Anna Kraft. She was more than twice his age, but he talked her into selling all her real estate and meeting him in Chicago, where he took her to the Saratoga Hotel.

"They registered there as man and wife," Burke said, "and a little while after they had gone to their room Koetter killed her with a single blow on the head with a machinist's hammer. Then he skipped with all her money—about \$10,000.

"His trail led to San Francisco, and George Richards and I were put on the case. We searched for him for months—even years. In 1914 we finally located him. He was making love, under the name of John Neiman, to a San Francisco woman who owned a string of apartment houses—the same gag he worked before trying to get her to sell her property and run away with him. One evening he had a date to meet her at the corner of Golden Gate avenue and Fillmore street. She wasn't there, but we were. He just said, 'Good evening gentlemen,' and came right along.

"He was taken back to Chicago and got life in Joliet penitentiary."

Man Almost Lost.

Once Burke almost lost his man—Alexander Walton, leader of the "clairvoyants," who "worked" the city in 1916. Walton professed to be a seer and claimed he could tell the future. The boobery would visit him and he would use his uncanny powers to forecast for them what the stock market was going to do. Working in conjunction with several crooked stock brokers, he cleaned up close to \$100,000. He bilked one man of \$8,000, a warrant was issued for his arrest, and he made himself very scarce.

"I followed him to Chicago," said Burke, "and chased him all around the city before I could bring him back. But finally we arrived in San Francisco, and a few days later he died. Yessir, that was one man I nearly lost. He might have died on the train coming back."

But he didn't—and Burke's record remained intact. One hundred thousand miles—five hundred prisoners—and not an escape. That's a record you can't laugh off.

Health; Morals; Sight Conservation

By CHARLES B. HOBRECHT, *First Vice-President California League for Conservation of Vision, Chairman Department of Education, Director San Francisco Academy of Optometry, Fellow of Optics The International Optical Association, Member of Scientific Section American Optometric Association, Member Eyesight Conservation Council of America.*

"Do not worry, eat three square meals a day, say your prayers, be courteous to your creditors, keep your digestion good, steer clear of biliousness, exercise, go slow and go easy. Maybe there are other things that your special case requires to make you happy, but, my friend, these I reckon will give you a good life."—ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

These were the "Rules for Living" of the Great Emancipator. Were he alive today he would undoubtedly add the following with considerable emphasis: "Be good to your eyes. They are the most delicate organs of the human body; yet so much depends upon their normal functioning. They govern our every movement; they govern our health, yea, govern our morals, too. In conserving your eyesight you are conserving God's most precious gift to man.



Dr. Charles B. Hobrecht

In all parts of the civilized world, particularly in our own beloved country, the importance of giving our eyes the attention they deserve is evidenced by the widespread and numerous organizations existing whose sole and only purpose is to bring about a greater appreciation by all of the importance of eye care.

We have the Eyesight Conservation Council of America which is national in its scope and in which any person interested in the purposes of the organization is eligible to membership. Locally we have The California League for the Conservation of Vision. This League is composed of five affiliated units of the most progressive Optometrists of the state.

The purposes of this organization include not only the education of the public to the need of proper conservation of vision, but the educational advancement of its own members as well, through research work, lectures, "round tables," clinics, etc. etc.

Visual Requirements of Motorists

At present, the members of the California League for the Conservation of Vision are particularly interested in the proposed state law compelling motorists before they are granted driving licenses to submit to an examination of their eyesight. The enactment of such a law in this state would be nothing new. Similar laws are now in effect in New York, Massachusetts and other Eastern states. The city of Chi-

cago requires an eyesight examination of chauffeurs.

Judge John B. Cox, Nemesis of speeders in Orange County, Calif., states: "The time has come when defectives should not be granted licenses to drive machines. Eyesight and hearing are the two faculties that are the most essential, and of all our faculties eyesight is the most valuable."

At present operators licenses are granted to whoever applies for them. No questions are asked about their qualifications, whether they are familiar with the rules of the road, or whether they are deaf, dumb, blind, or paralyzed. There is no inquiry as to whether they are vicious and hardened criminals. Our motor vehicle laws must be revised.

Recently in Toronto a four year old child was run down by a motorist who claimed at the inquest that his eyes were good, that he could see perfectly. The coroner promptly conducted an eyesight test. He took the witness to a window and invited him to decipher the top words of a sign across the road. The witness was unable to do so. "Why, I can read the sign quite readily and I'm older than you are," said the coroner. Carrying the investigation further, the jurymen were asked to read the sign across the way. Only three were successful!

Instead of emphasizing his point that the motorist had exceptionally poor eyesight the coroner confirmed the fact that defective eyesight was the rule, rather than the exception.

Illustrations such as this are an every day matter to optometrists, who would agree with the jury, in attributing the tragedy to the motorist's defective eyesight. This particular jury even went further, recommending "severe eye tests for drivers of motor cars!"

The relation between good eyes and safe driving is self-evident. The connection between good eyesight and good work has been proven. Conservation of vision has done much to aid industry—to increase financial gain—but how much more important it is to protect human life from reckless driving—for such is the case of the motorist who is shortsighted or has other defect of vision so surprisingly common.

It seems almost criminal to grant a motor license to an applicant who at eighty or one hundred feet sees a human being indistinctly as a blur—if at all—and such drivers are not all wearing glasses, or the proper ones! Records of refractionists will vouch for that.

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Sir Harry Westwood Cooper Foiled

Probably one of the most noted criminals who ever had a prison door slammed on his back was the notorious Sir Harry Westwood Cooper, forger, bigamist and general all round crook, who preyed upon women.

It was he who said, "Give me a clean collar and a white shirt and I can get any woman I meet."

He had many escapades. He was arrested in San Francisco for forgery, married a Salvation Army lassie. His wife heard of it in Australia, and through the assistance of Captain of Detectives Matheson the marriage was annulled. He went over to San Quentin, served his time and then eloped and married a young Oakland girl and was on his way to the East when he was stopped, his bride taken from him and this marriage also annulled.

He was wanted for another crime in Oakland and he beat it for South Africa, where he was arrested in Johannesburg for larceny and is now doing life in a prison near that city.

But while he was in the old city prison in the '90's he pulled one stunt that he did not get away with, and one which nearly caused Dr. A. P. O'Brien now physician to the police department his life.

Cooper was in the old city prison when it was upon Broadway near Montgomery Street. He did not like it, and devised a scheme to get transferred to the county hospital where as he said the walls were not so high. He was in perfect health apparently and never had the slightest excuse to be sent there. Being skilled somewhat in surgery he finally fell upon the idea of having tuberculosis of the throat and lungs.

His simulation of this dread disease was so perfect that he had everybody fooled, but Dr. O'Brien.

He would have one hemorrhage after another. The blood was so much like that of a tubercular that the doctor was interested to know where it came from. So when Cooper asked to be sent to the hospital Dr. O'Brien, a young interne then, insisted on an examination.

The "patient" was removed into a cell where an improvised operating table had been set up. Dr. O'Brien went over the man thoroughly. He could find nothing to indicate where the blood might come from. Another day was set for further observation. During this period a trusty who had been put in the cell with Sir Harry to see what he could see found a small French pen knife a half inch long, of gold and with the finest kind of steel blades. He turned this over to the jailer who gave it to Dr. O'Brien.

That afternoon Dr. O'Brien took Sir Harry on again. Cooper threw a fine hemorrhage for him. The doctor was puzzled.

Once again he began a minute examination. At last his search was rewarded, for over a small artery in the inner side of the elbow he rubbed back a thin piece of skin. Under it he saw a small round hole. The skin had been skillfully sliced back with the small sharp knife and a pin used to puncture the artery and then Sir Harry would suck the blood into his throat and produce a fine article of hemorrhage.

When Dr. O'Brien called this to Cooper's attention the prisoner raised up on his table, grabbed a huge cuspidore and with all his strength sent it crashing at the doctor's head. Dr. O'Brien stepped aside, avoiding the vessel which would have killed him if it had found the mark it was intended. With a few well aimed blows the prisoner was subdued and sent back to his cell where he stayed until tried and sent to San Quentin. But he never forgave Dr. O'Brien for showing him up and getting next to his game which had caused so much skill and time and robbing him of a change to make a getaway from the hospital.

Yet they say doctors don't get a thrill in their game.

POLICEMEN'S DANCE BIG SUCCESS

The annual Police Concert and Ball held February 10 was one of the most successful that the city protectors have put on in years.

In attendance, in spite of the rain storm, it was larger than expected, and the program offered by the committee headed by Lieutenant John Lackman was of a high order.

One of the features of the celebration was the presentation to Mounted Officer Arthur Dolan by Mayor Rolph on behalf of the Mexican consul of a medal for bravery in saving a young lady last December by Dolan when he swam his horse out into the Pacific Ocean. Dolan and his horse were both present at the Civic Auditorium.

Mayor Rolph and Mrs. Rolph led the grand march, followed by Police Commissioners Theodore Roche, Jesse B. Cook, Andrew J. Mahony and Dr. Thomas E. Shumate and Chief O'Brien and Mrs. O'Brien.

A goodly sum was realized for the Widows and Orphans fund and those who attended the ball got not only their money's worth in a good time but can get a lot of satisfaction out of the realization that they helped out a good cause.

Duty

By FRED V. WILLIAMS of The Daily News Staff, Whose Feature Stories Have Won Him a Large Following Among Newspaper Readers of Bay District



Fred V. Williams

The story is told in a large Eastern city.

Few men in the Department of that place do not know it.

Yet seldom is it mentioned and then only in whispers.

The man about whom it centers walked a beat. The stripes of a corporal are on his arm today.

He came into the department from seemingly nowhere and at the time when they needed men, a wiry, muscular chap of

few words.

At home there was a wife and a kiddie. His conduct up to the time of the incident that marked him among men was exemplary.

The chief more than once had occasion to remark the steadfastness of—we'll call him Joe Harvey for want of a better name.

Then at night, in the banking district, there was a robbery, the flash and bark of guns, a chase down alleys and cornered bandit with the copper hot on his trail, his "gat" spitting fire into the shadows that emitted now and then angry tongues of flame.

They came at close quarters, Joe Harvey, the policeman, and the man who had robbed the bank.

It was late. The chase had been far. There was no one around. The bandit, his last cartridge gone, threw down his gun and surrendered.

"Come in," he said. "Take me. I'm through.

Joe Harvey did. He handcuffed his prisoner. He searched him for weapons. Then he threw the light full on the face of his captive and stepped back sharply.

The movement, unexpected, seemingly unwarranted, did not escape the bandit. He was curious.

"What's the matter?" he asked. "I ain't a long lost brother or nothing, am I?"

"No," replied the officer. He stood and studied a while. The bandit waited impatiently.

"Well, what are you going to do with me?" he asked.

"Take you to the city prison," replied Harvey. He handcuffed his man to him. He led him out of the alley, into the street. Under the light of a lamp he paused and rang for "the wagon."

Then it was the prisoner by his side began to

laugh. Harvey turned questioningly on him. His face was set and stern.

It was the prisoner who spoke.

"You ain't going to turn me in," he said.

"Yes I am," replied the officer.

"No you ain't," returned the bandit. "You can't afford to."

"No? Why?"

The prisoner snickered. It was the nasty imitation of a laugh, shot into the officer's ear. It carried with it a leer.

"Because you and me has been pals," answered the captive. "You and me has been cellmates in 'lil old Cherry Hill. Remember? Back in 'Phily' where the Quakers grow."

"You are mistaken," returned Harvey. "I never was in Philadelphia in my life."

"Oh no you wasn't. You did time with me back there. You was quite an expert on 'soup' in them days. That's what got you a job in the laboratory. Your knowledge of TNT."

Harvey went cold. But he stood his ground and tightened his grip on his man.

"Ain't you married now since you turned square? Have you got a kid? Do they know what you was? And are you going to let them take the wallop of this thing.

"You know what's going to happen to you when I 'spill' at headquarters. Say, I may go over. But you—they'll have your name in all the papers."

Harvey turned on his prisoner. His eyes burned like coals of fire. His free hand gripped the butt of his gun. One shot, self defense. Those lips would be sealed forever.

No. That would be murder. He had enough on his conscience already. He couldn't find the heart to kill a helpless man in cold blood.

The bandit-captive saw his mistake. He realized he had spoken too freely, too soon.

"Oh, all right. I won't squeal," he said. "Trust me pal. I was only fooling. I was only trying to scare you into letting me go."

Harvey was not satisfied. It was then he decided on his line of action. He unlocked the handcuff from his prisoner's wrist. In the distance sounded the roar of a motor. A headlight cut through the night, paved way for the police car far down the street.

The bandit stood juzzled. He chafed his wrist with the hand that had been free. Harvey handed him his night stick.

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The Ice Box Bandits

By CAPTAIN OF DETECTIVES DUNCAN MATHESON, Whose 23 Years in Police Work has Made Him a National Figure in Detection of Chiminals

The general public has a wrong impression about highwaymen and auto bandits, believing that they are heroes, brave beyond the point of daring, gallant to ladies, considerate to children and worthy of consideration by all inhuman hu-



Captain Duncan Matheson

manitarians who are very zealously engaged in the pernicious business of impressing them that they are heroes and making the scoundrels happy. Such however, is not the case. They are despicable cowards, depraved beyond measure and who, alone, slink around corners, avoiding citizens and police officers.

A lone bandit is comparable to a lone wolf, seldom acting alone, but when four or five of them get together, superficial courage is acquired and they proceed to plan their unlawful acts with all the odds in their favor. Drug stores and markets in the residential sections of the city are usually selected when only one clerk or the proprietor is present, and the day's receipts in the cash register. The avenues for a quick getaway are also considered. When cornered and covered by the officers' weapons, they drop their weapons, beg for mercy, the very thing they denied their victims.

The ice-box gang consisted of John Hammond, ex-convict and leader, Roy C. Stevens, Louis B. Young and Frank Desmond. On arrival from Los Angeles during the month of November, 1919, they immediately proceeded to terrorize the city by holding up drug stores and markets, perpetrating two robberies each night. Their method of operation was to steal a high powered automobile, tour the city, make a selection and then watch the proprietor after all the employees left, enter the place three at a time, all armed with heavy automatic revolvers, cover him, order hands up, and then rob the register of the day's receipts. They then locked him up in the ice-box to cool off and to use the place as a kind of reflection chamber. Maybe if some of the ill-advised meddlers in criminal cases had a half hour of such treatment, the public would be well served.

The drug store robbery at No. 508 Valencia proved their undoing. Detectives Charles W. Dullea, Phil J. Lindecker and Peter J. Hughes were detailed to apprehend them. At 10:40 p. m. November 30th, 1919, the detectives observed a Buick touring car with lights out and engine running standing on Valencia street just south of Sixteenth street. Their suspicions were aroused and on looking into the drug store, saw a holdup in progress. Hammond was behind the counter taking the money from the cash register. Desmond forced the clerk at the point of his gun to the rear of the store behind a partition and there robbed him of five dollars. The detectives rushed into the store with shotguns, covered Hammond and Desmond, hearing the commotion, bolted the partition door and ran out the rear entrance, clearing the back fence in a bound, and made his escape. All speed records were broken. He had Charlie Paddock backed off the board.

The drug store clerk thought the holdup men were coming in relays, when the shotgun squad entered the store and said, "My God, what next!" but on learning their identity he felt perfectly safe.

Hammond after his arrest, as usual with all crooks, lied about himself and his confederates, assuming the name of Desmond, who in reality was one of his pals, thus to cover his identity and prevent the arrest. On investigation however, the rooms of his confederates were located and a watch placed thereon without success until about 9:00 a. m. of the following day. After watching several hours, the detectives thought they might have come in unobserved and then had a special police officer dress as a plumber and enter the room to repair a radiator and found two young



John Hammond

girls there instead of the bandits. The girls did not suspect the mission of the so-called plumber and made no comment.

A few minutes later the three bandits came into the hotel, stepped into the elevator and on description were immediately arrested by Detectives Henry McGrath, George Hippely, and the late Detective Sergeant Miles M. Jackson, who was murdered in Santa

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Harry Carey and Police Horses

By LESLIE R. GILLEN, *Chronicle Police Reporter Who Tells of Movie Actor's Desire to Buy One of Police Department Mounts*

Anyone who has ever seen Harry Carey, the famous western star, on the screen in a wild west drama—and there are few who have not—must admit that Harry knows horses.

Moreover, aside from his movie business, Harry Carey raises polo ponies on his big rancho at Saugus, forty-five miles north of Los Angeles, and sells them to some of the exclusive polo clubs.

could be paid.

Strangely enough, Harry Carey was trying to buy a police horse from the department at the time.

"Your police horses here are the finest, most intelligent and best trained horses in the world," Carey told Chief O'Brien, "and I'll never be satisfied until I own one. I am after a horse for work



Harry Carey telling Chief Daniel J. O'Brien what swell Horses the Department has

That ought to be enough proof for the most skeptical that Harry knows horses.

And so, when Harry Carey, during a recent visit here, told Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien that in his opinion, San Francisco police horses were the finest, most intelligent and best trained animals in the world, Chief O'Brien did right to accept that as the very highest compliment that

in the movies. When I quit Universal a little more than a year ago, I pensioned off my old horse, Pete. He was a faithful old pal, smart as they make 'em, but he was getting too old for the rough work that pictures of the type I make require. So I put Pete out to pasture and since that time I have been unable to find another horse

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Police Heroes of San Francisco

By JOHN D. O'BRIEN, *Examiner Police Reporter, Who Has Been on the Hall of Justice Beat for Over Twenty-Five Years, and Who Has Seen Many Chiefs Come and Go*

Three police captains, veteran guardians of the peace, sit in judgment on the deeds of valor performed by members of the San Francisco Police Department.

The decrees handed down by this quasi-tribunal designate the heroes of the game.

Performances in which a risk of life is taken are daily occurrences in the ranks of the men of batons and pistols. Ordinarily they would slip into oblivion with the formal report made to headquarters, but a civil service provision offering credits of advancement for unusually meritorious service to policemen exceeding the regulation limit of bravery brought about the organization of the commission to designate the more worthy ones. Captain John J. O'Meara of the Mission station acts as chairman, Captain Herbert J. Wright of the Bush street station as secretary, and Captain Duncan Matheson is the third member.

Incentive to action among the younger men of the department is one of the objects for which the meritorious service is given. It is also generally awarded as a special mark of appreciation as well as benefit in securing higher rank for bluecoats who take great hazards and who play the game in the face of greater odds.

Board Very Exacting.

Daily there is printed much that redounds to the credit of policemen. The reader might be led to believe that the scroll of fame reads like the roll call. It might, were it compiled from a civilian standpoint. But the Meritorious Service Board is very exacting, and the grist of heroes that comes from its mill makes the minutes of the secretary a small affair. Like the scriptural quotation, many are called but few are chosen.

No policeman gets in the category of heroes unless the act for which the award is made has been performed while he was actually staring death in the face. In other words, he must have been under revolver fire, battling in elements that were likely to overcome him or under circumstances under which the ordinary man would have abandoned the struggle. Two citations at the last meeting held by the board are conspicuous examples.

First, there was Mounted Policeman Arthur Dolan, who swam into the surf about one month ago and brought out two drowning people. Ashore with one, he returned for the other and fought his way for hundreds of yards through booming billows.

Now, the Carnegie medal cannot go to Dolan because he is a police officer. Nor could it go to a

fireman who entered a burning structure and carried out half-suffocated inmates. Both are employed in services that exact the jeopardy of life, and the Carnegie bureau of awards holds their bravery just a part of the routine for which they are paid. But the local board can go further and does.

Girl Saved From Bay.

Policeman Charles L. Mangels dropped off a pier into darkened waters to recover Vera Milhailover, a little Russian girl, who fell while aboard a transport on August 4, 1920. He combatted the tide and even swam under the keel of the boat before he brought the little refugee to the surface safe in his arms.

Other cases of violent action in which favorable awards were made were those of Policeman Thomas J. Powers, who captured George Sterling, one of the most notorious gunmen and criminals in the country, in a revolver duel, and Detectives William F. Milliken and Fred Lotsey, who headed off John Hoover, bandit, who had held up a Santa Clara resort on the San Bruno road, and who fought them with an automatic revolver until he was brought down by one of Milliken's bullets.

Detectives George McLaughlin, John E. Dolan, Fred Bohr, Earl T. Roney and John E. Palmer met the requirements of merit when they fought Charles E. Reese, alias Paul Dolphus, alias George Bennett, in a dark room at 1591 Greenwich street, with nothing but the flashes that came from the gun fire to guide them. Reese's holdups had netted him nearly \$10,000 before the night of capture.

Bandit Clash.

Policemen Eugene S. Hottinger and William B. Henley followed two safecrackers, who rode in an automobile loaded with nitro-glycerine, and kept up a running revolver duel from Larkin and O'Farrel streets to Cabrillo street and Forty-fifth avenue, where the crooks abandoning their machine, fortified themselves behind a stone stairway and continued the fight until they were overpowered.

Read the cases of heroism that were rejected by the board:

Policeman Edgar L. Gough, with a posse of officers, cornered two men, who had shot a brother officer, in a room at Seventh and Mission streets. They had barricaded themselves in.

"Some one has to crash down the door," said Gough, and taking the chance that he might be riddled with bullets, he did so. Because no shots were fired, he cannot claim official honor.

Maurice W. Reardon threw a runaway horse on

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More About Finger Prints

By PETER FANNING, *Finger Print Operator of the San Francisco Police Department Who Has Taken Over 122,000 Prints in 10 Years*

My last little article in Douglas 20 seemed to create so much interest in the subject matter that I thought it would be interesting to run a little further into it.

Usually finger printing is regarded only as a means of identifying a person who has already been apprehended for the commission of a crime and verifying his identity by comparison with other finger prints which may have been taken of him at the time of some former arrest. But there are many other very valuable and remarkable practical results which are derived from a comparison of finger prints and the field is still widely open for much further research and extension.

Some time ago a proposition was seriously mooted to have every check issued on a bank impressed with the thumb-print of the signer so that this could be compared with an original print of the same thumb filed for reference with the bank. This was not for the purpose of identifying and apprehending a possible forger but for the purpose of preventing successful forgery and fraud on the banks. Because, whether or not the forger of a check would be arrested was entirely aside from the certainty that the money would not be paid out of the banks if there was the slightest suspicion that the signature was not the proper signature of the person whose name was subscribed to the check. Indeed even a further and perhaps more important suggestion along the same line has been made, namely that the finger prints of any payee of a check who might not happen to be known at the bank could be endorsed on the back of the check and if necessity arose, could be compared with a new one to be made at the bank counter when the check should be presented for payment. It will be easily seen that with such impressions of the fingers there would not be one chance in ten thousand of defrauding a bank by false paper and therefore forgery of checks would soon become a lost art. At the present time this particular branch of forgery is probably prolific of more arrests, more police work, more court cases and more expense to governments than any other form of writing-falsifications.

Not many years ago in some of our States and also in foreign countries there was a form of fraud often practiced on the government by false impersonation. That is to say, by people present-

ing claims for money which belonged to some other person and to which they were not entitled. Sometimes these persons presented themselves in person at the government offices; sometimes they signed the name of the person really entitled to the money and forwarded it to the proper departments. Sometimes they even acknowledged their signatures before a notary public. In the great mass of such claims and of government business naturally each signature could not be verified by the proper authorities and thousands of claims were paid to the wrong persons. This was especially common in pension cases. Frequently the party entitled to the pension died. The Government did not know about the death and someone else representing the deceased, would collect year after year, frequently for many years, the pensions to which they were not entitled.

There seemed to be no possible solution of this difficulty and the Government continued to be defrauded. Once in a while some personal enemy might "tip off" the case and it would go hard with the fraudulent impersonator. But in the great majority of cases they escaped not only prosecution but even detection. The only infallible test that could be suggested to avoid this was that each claimant should deposit an impression of his finger prints with the paying office of the government and that each voucher monthly or annually must be accompanied by the same impression or it would not be paid. This Government never adopted the suggestion although it was carefully considered, but the English Government in a number of its provinces and other Governments adopted this plan and it is a remarkable tribute to its efficiency that false impersonation and this character of fraud on the Government ceased almost immediately. And it would be a brave and reckless man indeed who would under these conditions take a chance. For not only would the fraud be immediately discovered and no money paid, but swift apprehension and imprisonment would be sure to follow.

The finger print is also being used very extensively in many countries on pass-ports so that a great deal of red tape required for identification is thereby entirely cut out, as the means are at hand by a mere repetition of the finger print impression to identify absolutely and with precision the genuineness of the person presenting the passport.

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The Public and the Police

Written for "Douglas 20" by C. HAROLD CAULFIELD, Member American Bar Association, Authority on International Law and Attorney for Netherlands Consulate in This City

Of all the departments of our governmental system, deserving the close interest and attention of the general public, the Police Department of the City and County in which we live is by no means the least important. Were the citizen to understand the fundamental object of the police as an integral part of the government, were the citizen to interest himself in the manner in which the Department of Police functions and fulfills this part, he would be more appreciative of the burden and responsibility resting upon the men charged with the police work.

Cooley in his work on "Constitutional Limitations," states, "The police of a state, in a comprehensive sense, embraces its system of internal regulation by which it is sought not only to pre-

serve the public order, and to prevent offences against the state, but also to establish, for the intercourse of citizen with citizen those rules of good manners and good neighborhood which are calculated to insure to each the uninterrupted enjoyment of his own, so far as is reasonably consistent with a like enjoyment of rights by others." And



C. Harold Caulfield

Bouvier's Law Dictionary adds to the above: "The officers who are appointed for this purpose are called 'Police'." The Appellate Court of California has said, "A police officer is intimately connected with the enforcement of all laws and ordinances concerning crimes, and is an important factor in preserving the peace of the community" *Clue vs. S. F. Police Comm'rs*, 3 Cal. App. 174, 177.

It is apparent therefore that the work of the individual police officer brings him in more intimate contact with the citizen than perhaps the work of any other officer of government. The policeman is charged with the preservation of public order, and must stand ready to fulfill that trust regardless of personal consequences. As long as men are constituted as they are at present, and

they will never change, there will be a class of society that is criminal and disorderly. This class can never be abolished, nor can all members of this class be confined at once. Nor will it ever be possible to prevent the commission of crimes by such characters. The best that can be done is the apprehension of persons suspected of crime and their incarceration on conviction. This is the work of the police.

It is obvious that if the policeman is to protect one citizen that he must interfere with another whose conduct is unlawful. The constantly increasing number of laws regulating the life and acts of individuals calls for an increasing measure of watchfulness on the part of those sworn to see that these laws are enforced.

We must appreciate the fact that the policeman does not make the laws, that his work is impersonal in the sense that his only duty is to see to their observance by the public, regardless of the offender. Neither the policeman's nor the individual's opinion of the law is controlling. The existence of the statute, and its violation are the essentials that call forth action by the police.

It is ridiculous to charge the police with negligence unless they immediately apprehend the criminal following the commission of a crime. Officers cannot be everywhere at once, nor are they gifted with powers denied to the rest of humanity that from a mass of contradictory and faulty clues they work out an immediate explanation of the crime and the personality and whereabouts of the offender. It is the duty of the general public and of the individual citizen to appreciate these facts and to assist and encourage the department rather than to indulge in unwarranted fault-finding that can only tend to embarrass and retard the police in their work.

The police are the servants of "The People of the State of California," and these people are as much charged with the proper observance of the law of the land as is the Police Department; it is an obligation of citizenship that we, the public, render assistance and encouragement to those who are selected to protect us in our rights.

The Los Angeles policemen have been given a raise in pay by a vote of the Police Commissioners.

Corporals' Examinations For Sergeants

Thirty-Three Pass Rigid Test for Promotion—The Largest Class to Pass in History of Civil Service in City. Percentages Exceptionally High

The examinations of corporals of police for promotion to sergeants held January 11 resulted in a list of 33 passing the test, one of the largest number ever passed in a similar examination in the history of the police department.

On January 29th Secretary Maher of the civil service commission gave the list of the lucky corporals to Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien.

Chief O'Brien, Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson and Captain Henry Gleeson assisted in correcting the papers being called in by the Civil Service Commission to pass upon the papers dealing with reports which each candidate had to write.

Corporal Michael Riordan in charge of the License Bureau passed highest with a percentage of 97.781.

Corporal Charles Pfeiffer of the Chief's staff passed fourth with 93.288, which without war credits is excellent. Corporal Sam Miller, another of the Chief's force, passed tenth, and Detective Sergeant Frank McConnell of the Chief's office, was sixth on the list.

Corporal Charles Dullea of the automobile detail, assigned from the detective bureau, was second with 94.934.

Others from the detective bureau well upon the list are Corporal Michael Mitchell, Corporal Michael McDonald, Corporal Frank Black, Emmett Hogan.

The eligible list as it now stands and the percentage of the men taking the examinations is as follows:

Rank	Percentage	Name	Address
V 1	97.781	Michael Riordan	302 Crescent Avenue
2	94.934	Chas. W. Dullea	4424-18th Street
V 3	93.766	Bernard J. McDonald	1538-11th Avenue
4	93.288	Chas. A. Pfeiffer	136 Fair Oaks Street
5	93.856	M. E. I. Mitchell	427 Munich Street
V 6	93.018	Frank McConnell	442-16th Avenue
V 7	92.187	Michael J. Brady	3861-22nd Street
V 8	92.896	Frank M. Black	1322 Octavia Street
9	91.928	Michael Flynn	458-20th Avenue
10	91.5456	Samuel Miller	1230-24th Avenue
11	90.198	James F. Rooney	229 Downey Street
12	90.084	John F. Farrell	1279-6th Avenue
13	90.03	Aloysius I. O'Brien	2158 Bush Street
14	89.9686	Henry A. Reilly	381 Douglas Street
15	89.749	John B. Garney	1840-21st Avenue
16	89.7176	Samuel W. Aitken	372 Baker Street
17	89.562	Thomas J. Sullivan	3868-23rd Street
18	88.9316	Mark Higgins	774-11th Avenue
19	88.6436	George W. Desmond	717 Castro Street
20	87.712	Wm. M. Bennett	4220-21st Street
21	82.866	Wm. J. Dougherty	1442 Guerrero Street
22	82.5706	Emmett J. Hogan	2305 Lombard Street
V 23	81.794	Frederick P. Suttman	2364-19th Avenue
24	81.1603	John J. Callaghan	1485 Guerrero Street
25	81.057	Albert D. Schmidt	228 Ninth Avenue
26	80.628	Albert D. Schmidt	228 Ninth Avenue
27	79.3866	Geo. H. Brown	2101 Webster Street
28	78.885	Thomas G. Roche	458 Duboce Avenue
29	78.3413	George H. Richards	491-12th Avenue
30	77.7636	Carl A. Justus	648 Valley Street
31	77.16	Francis K. Latulipe, Jr.	3859-26th Street
32	76.027	John J. Wade	779-23rd Avenue
33	75.925	James Doran	53 Harper Street

V. 3 credits added for Veteran's preference.

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SAVE STATE B. OF I.

When Governor Friend William Richardson announced that he contemplated abolishing the state identification bureau at Sacramento and moving what paraphernalia was necessary to carry on work that was urgent to San Quentin, he stirred to action every peace officer in the State of California.

Chief of Police O'Brien of this city, Chief of Police James Drew of Oakland, and Chief of Police August Vollmer of Berkeley, acting as a committee, joined by other well known peace officers, spent many days in Sacramento during the closing weeks of the first session of the legislature.

They were given respectful hearings by the Governor and by assemblymen and senators and the result has been that this bureau so vital to the successful handling of the crime situation will probably not be abolished, but will be maintained with some slight change in the budget.

The maintenance of this bureau at Sacramento has cost the people less than \$27,000 a year. On that investment millions of dollars worth of property is recovered annually and hundreds of known criminals apprehended. Through this central clearing house records of finger prints, Bertillion measurements, history of crimes and criminals are kept, and so successful has been this system that the Federal Government has joined in with various police departments of the United State in maintaining a national bureau in Washington, D. C.

POLICE REGISTER AGAIN

Again did the Police Department register. This time it was their work in the Community Chest drive. The members of the department went over the top and went over big, and first.

The quota allotted to the men in blue was \$14,000. They turned in \$15,134.55. The first meeting for reports found Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien present with the committee and when his turn came he announced the amount subscribed, adding the San Francisco Police Department was 100 per cent. He got a long cheer.

But few persons are in a better condition to note the needs of those who have to have charity, than the police officer. He sees more during his watch on duty than those who disperse charity do in a month. He is brought face to face with dire suffering, and he is generally the first to dig down in his pocket and give what he can for temporary relief.

None know better than he the need of some central body to collect and see to the proper distribution of moneys to help the worthy needy, and so when the call came every one of the San Francisco department gladly dug up his portion that some one in need might be made happier.

It has ever been with our department. No drive for funds for any undertaking sponsored by responsible people or agencies has found our policemen wanting.

CHIEF O'BRIEN TO BE U. C. LECTURER

Police Chief Dan'l J. O'Brien has accepted the invitation to become a member of the staff of the summer session faculty at University of California.

Chief Vollmer of Berkeley is also a member.

Chief O'Brien will be assisted in his lectures on practical police administrations by Duncan Matheson, captain of detectives.

The New World's War

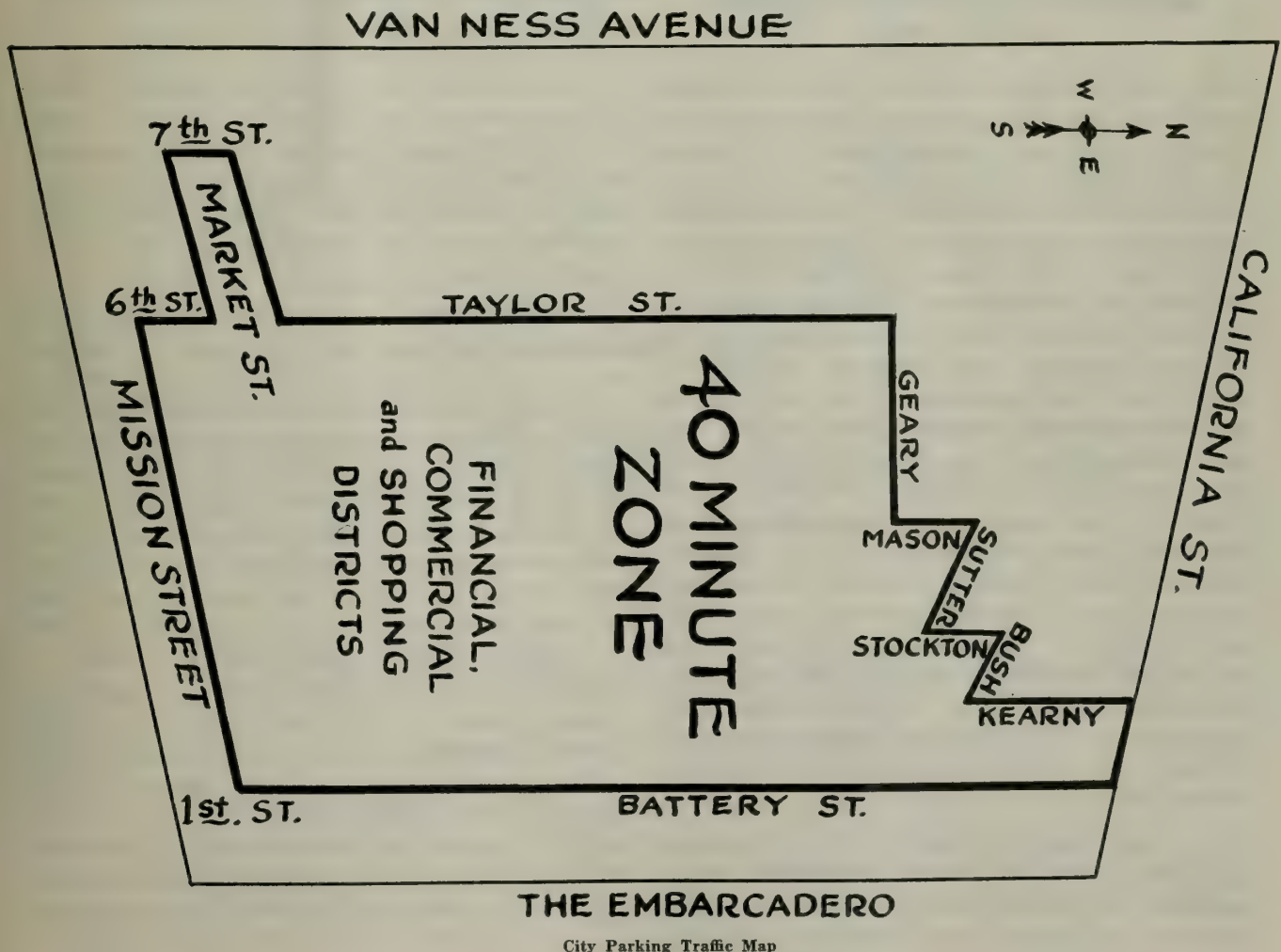
By CAPTAIN HENRY GLEESON, Commander of the San Francisco Police Traffic Bureau, Whose Discussion of Pressing Needs for Traffic Regulations Have Attracted Much Comment

Where shall automobiles park? Every day in every way the congestion is growing worse and worse.

In addition to the problem connected with the handling of moving automobile traffic in the zone outlined in my December article in "Douglas 20," there exists an other complex problem that is of vital interest to all commercial business situated in this zone. Within the boundaries of the great central business district of San Francisco there exists an area known as the "Parking Zone" in which it is unlawful for any person to leave any vehicle standing for more than 40 minutes. It should be of interest to all persons alike to know the boundaries of this parking limit zone, to study the same and learn its relation to the commercial business zone so that a better understanding may be reached as to the causes and reasons for the laws' strict enforcement.

The original parking zone, created as a protec-

tive measure so as to safeguard interests of the retail shopping district, including all the streets between Montgomery, Sutter, Powell and Market streets. This zone was created by Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors in March, 1912. At that time no traffic problems were apparent in either the retail financial or commercial districts. Almost unobserved retail, financial commercial and professional business increased, and through lack of space and accommodations began to spread from their accepted environments and became intermingled, until today we find all lines of retail, wholesale, professional and financial businesses side by side on every street and in every building from Van Ness avenue to the Embarcadero. The so-called retail district became a center for professional men, hotels and theatres. The financial and commercial districts found great buildings necessary, not only for the accommodation of new financial and commercial interest, but for those



of attorneys, engineers and architects. Between the years 1912 and 1922, large hotels were erected in this district to care for a greatly increased population and business. The decision that motor vehicles were required by all business and professional men soon became apparent and the congestion of moving and standing motor ve-



Captain Henry Gleeson

hicles on every street resulted. Without alarm, buildings of great height for the daily housing of thousands of business men, employees and patrons have been erected, thereby bringing into already congested streets a new army of automobiles and commercial vehicles necessary to the transaction of business. It became apparent that the congestion of moving and standing vehicles no longer existed in the retail shopping district alone. Business interests had advanced beyond the lines of the old parking zone. Upon the presentation of the present ordinance to the various business organizations, it was found that the entire business interests of the city were unanimously in favor of any movement or law looking to the regulation, control and correction of the existing congestion of the standing or sleeping automobiles that were slowly strangling every kind of commercial business. The sleeping automobile moved only when its master tired of his desk or when a social call became a bore. From investigation it was learned that freight and merchandise could no longer be received or delivered by commercial houses successfully, or satisfactorily.

Office men, known to walk 99 miles on week-end golf links, fearing the strain of walking during business days, parked their automobiles in front of freight elevators or other entrance ways with-

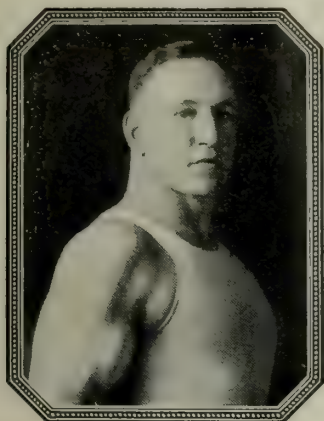
out thought; women operators bent upon shopping tours or theatre pleasures added to the troubles of business men and teamsters. All business interests were awake to the necessity of the elimination of all sleeping automobiles from business streets and in response to this sentiment the present 40 minute parking law was enacted and approved by his Honor, Mayor James Rolph, on October 11, 1922.

After much publicity, an investigation of the new conditions was made and it was pleasing to learn of the co-operation that was being given to this new law by the business and professional men throughout the entire zone. Many advices were received that much improvement had resulted in better deliveries of merchandise; business men, in co-operation with each other, no longer parked their automobiles on the streets and this co-operation has assisted greatly to the partial correction of past congestion at curb lines on business streets. Congestion still exists and is alarmingly growing. A new problem confronts us as our city grows in population and advances in volume of business transacted. The ever increasing number of automobiles used by active business men, whose business is carried on from place to place, necessitating a short stay at each, is every day demanding attention and will before long become a serious problem. To prepare for this problem will require the strictest attention and enforcement of the present law against overtime parking within the boundaries of the present zone. It is also found that there is special need for stricter enforcement in the district west of Powell street. Many operators of automobiles show slight regard for the requirements of business firms in this business section of the city.

Many persons give no thought that our city has progressed and that curb line space is required during the day time for the receipt of supplies to the many stores, restaurants, candy shops and hotels. Having brought their automobile into the district, men and women alike park at such places as pleases their convenience or fancy and wander to theatres, clubs, hotels, restaurants, etc., for amusement and remaining there for several hours; after being tagged they give as an excuse, "I did not know about the law." "I thought that block was all right," or "I parked there last night."

The district between Powell, Taylor, Sutter and Market streets is no longer in ruins—it has become a great business district, and already has its parking problem and is seriously congested. The majority of business houses in this area are compelled to receive and deliver freight from sidewalk elevators and a locked closed car left parked in front of these freight elevators provokes much

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"Preserve Your Health"

Announcement

BEGINNING with the March issue we will present the "Preserve Your Health" department. We will devote as much space as may be necessary to impart to our subscribers the knowledge of "Physical Preservation, by Proper Eating, Breathing and Exercise."

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Covering All The Beats

Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien has several watches but the one he received during the last meeting of the police commissioners in January is treasured more than any of them. It is a beautiful wrist watch presented to the chief by the California State Highway Patrolmen's Association which held its third annual convention in this city in January.

During the stay of the over 200 delegates Chief O'Brien left nothing undone to make the stay of the visitors pleasant. They were given the freedom of the city, taken on sightseeing tours, banqueted and entertained in such a generous manner that the boys who keep down the speeders wanted to show their appreciation so they got Captain Henry Gleeson to present the watch to the chief on behalf of the association. And the Captain did it in a highly pleasing manner.

Best of all the Chief wears it. Times have changed for when he was down South of Market he wouldn't have gotten very far with a watch strapped to his wrist.

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Luther Colton has six months nearly to think over what his future conduct will be. Last December he was stopped by Policeman Martin Brennan out on Fulton street and asked what his idea was prowling around in that neighborhood at so late an hour. He was with another suspicious looking gent. They became sullen and finally when Brennan tried to arrest Colton the latter put up a battle and tried to get the officer's pistol. A fierce struggle followed but Brennan finally succeeded in planting one where it did the most good and the cuffs were slipped on to Mr. Colton. He was tried and convicted in Judge Louis H. Ward's court on a charge of resisting an officer after dark and the judge eased him out to Ingle-side for the half year.

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Policewoman Kathleen Sullivan assisted Detectives Thomas Hoertkorn and Maurice Harris smoke out one John L. Tempest. The latter was engaged in telling the past, present and future at his home out on Geary street and one of his visitors was the policewoman. When she had listened as long as she thought was necessary to make an arrest she sent for the wagon and the "professor" is now telling his troubles to a judge.

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Officer Harry Higgins of the property clerk's office is on the verge of buying an automobile. Harry has a pair of automobile gloves and a pair of colored glasses. A good live salesman ought to slip him a new 1923 model.

There is a close race on in the detective bureau between the given names of "Jim," "Tom," "John" and "Frank." The "Jims" win with nine members including Detective Sergeants James Mackey, Sr., James Regan, James Skelly, Detectives James Cottle, James Hansen, James Pearl, James Mitchell and James Barricklo.

The "Toms" follow with eight members, Detective Sergeant Thomas Curtis, Thomas Murphy, Thomas Walsh, Detectives Thomas Hoertkorn, Thomas Conlon, Thomas Hyland and Thomas Reagan.

The "Johns" are third with seven, Detective Sergeants John Dolan, John Manion, Detectives John McCausland, John Callaghan, John Cannon, John Palmer, John Pearson.

The "Franks" trail fourth with five. Lieutenant Frank Winters, Detective Sergeants Frank McGrayan, Frank McConnell, Detectives Frank Black and Frank Latulipe.

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Captain Herbert Wright of the Bush street district says he thinks he has more churches in his district than in any other district of the police department. He sure has a lot of them and a lot of different kinds.

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Captain Fred Lemon says his men out at the North End station can tell an army colonel from a traffic officer quicker than any district on this side of the bay.

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Policeman Martin Porter says that new English bullet that goes 4000 yards a second has nothing on a hop head with a ham under his arm.

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Officer Harvey Deline says escorting Powell street cable cars across the intersections is worse than getting an old lady from Knights Landing across the street.

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Officer Oliver Cox, special duty man in the Southern divides his time between chasing wobblies, bootleggers and hop venders. He snares many of these birds as they try to ply their business in his district.

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Detective Michael Desmond, the champion police salt water swimmer, got a guy this month who took a "powder" from Seattle with his wife's bank roll obtained in a damage action for the loss of one of her limbs. Desmond says boiling a gent like that in oil would be like pouring a soothing lotion on a gent with the seven year itch.

Motorcycle Officer F. Bowerman says from his observation that the same kind of a guy that used to blow out the gas now steps on it. The results are about the same is the way Bowerman dopes it out.

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Officer John Erasmy of the Mission station is a wild duck hunter. He probably knows more wild ducks by their first names than any gunman in the police department. He used to make life miserable for ducks out at Marine Hospital lake when he was a kid and now he won't give them a chance to alight down in the Belmont hunting grounds. When they do light after John gets through with them they are deader than last Christmas.

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Sam Jones, tonsorial artist down at the foot of Clay street who has scraped the faces of more sailors than any other barber in the state was the proud possessor of a fine South American parrot that could swear in three languages. It came up missing early this month and Captain Pat Herlihy of the Harbor Station sent Detectives Groat and O'Dowd on the trail of the lost bird. Every trail took them to Convey's place but Sam insisted that he knew the Convey boys would not play any such a joke on him as snaring his pet, though he said he had heard parrots were good eating.

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Sergeant George Merchant says that if any one has got anything on his new Chevrolet he would like that gent to stand up. He used to think that a good saddle horse furnished the acme of pleasant transportation, but he says now that he finds that the little twin-two gets him around faster and with more comfort than the old saddle pony. The way George talks of his new car one would think he was a salesman for the Chevrolet Company.

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Captain Eugene Wall declares that he has one of the richest agricultural districts in the state. A drive through the Ingleside will make one agree with the Captain, for all year round the gardens along Mission street furnish mighty pleasant eye food for the thousands who come and leave our city through the southern route.

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Officer Franklin K. Lane of the Central district can wear his hat at a greater angle and keep it on his head than any policeman in San Francisco.

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Few policemen in the city know more of the underworld and its habitues than Policeman Patrick Walsh of the Central district. Withal his years' service in the sordid night life zone of the

years ago he retains a human sympathy that refuses to be hardened. Pat never goes out of his way to rap a poor unfortunate, man or woman, whom duty has made him bring before the bar of justice.

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Officer William Mudd, attached to the detective bureau was given a "kick" to run down by Lieutenant Michael Griffin. The guy's name was Rainbow and like the colors of that mystery symbol changed locations many times. After being shot on the case, Mudd remarked as he went on the trail, "I may not be much on the run, but I am sure a devil on the sneak." He got Rainbow okeh.

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Detectives James Hayes and Frank Brown arrested three thugs the first of the month wanted for robbing Z. Hudzoff a short time before. The trio got \$281 which they split three ways and one of the men, Ray Helbing, confessed and dug up his share. The other two men gave the names of Ray Maighiw and Ollive Powuette.

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Captain Charles Goff of the Southern district had a narrow escape early this month. He, with a posse of patrolmen from his station were rounding up some bootleggers when one of the men, said to be the ringleader, pulled a gun and let the trigger go. The cartridge failed to explode and before the would-be murdered could pull again Captain Goff swung one on the point of the chin and the trouble was over.

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Policewoman Katheryne Eisenhart declares that a ride in a Buick is about as fine a thing that can be undertaken, and that the new 1923 models are the supreme thing in comfort.

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Officer Jack Rudden of the Ingleside station on the day desk watch says if they keep changing the map of his district people will think they are in the Russian Hill district. Each year the fine mansions are gradually creeping down toward Mission street from the Tunnel section. Jack says the building boom is crowding all the goats toward the bay.

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Officer Pete Whelan who carts in all the bootleg seized by the police says that if the consumers could see what he sees the speakeasies would go out of business overnight. He has Policeman Jack Ryan drawing up a bomb proof uniform, for he says the stuff blows up after it is three hours old, and some of the wine he carts to the Hall of Justice looks like the bottom of Lake Merced when a squall stirs things up.

Three young men who are solving the problem of living without working, engaging in the bunco business, strayed into San Francisco the other day to see what they could see. They got a swift peek into the inside of one of the best city prisons in the country for Detectives Hoertkorn and Harris grabbed them before they had time to ask how to get to Market and Powell street. Judge Daniel O'Brien gave them a half hour to grab a rattler out of town and promised them six months if they lingered any longer or wandered back this way again.

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Officers Frank Cummings and Joseph Maloney, special duty men under Captain John J. O'Meara, made a ten strike when they turned the keys on John Conde and John McGreevey, two oil stock operators who the police say have buncoed many of Conde's countrymen out of thousands of dollars by selling them oil stock that was misrepresented and selling them interest in alleged leases of oil land over in Dublin canyon.

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Was sitting in the Central station the other night when three youths from 17 to 19 years were brought in from Eddy and Taylor streets. They were facing a charge of burglary as they had been caught climbing the fire escape of an apartment house back of the Arcadia. They had made the first landing by the aid of a rope which was found in their possession when a posse headed by Lieutenant John J. Casey and Sergeant Ed Heinrichs appeared.

Instead of slamming them in a cell the officers questioned the lads, ascertained their residence, age and occupations. All of which was verified. Then the boys told their story. They said they wanted to see the fights and could ill afford to spend the money so they had devised a scheme to see the fights from the outside, on the landing of the fire escape.

They were shown the danger they had placed themselves in and after a fatherly talk by Lieutenant Casey and Heinrichs they were allowed to go.

Thus were three homes saved a lot of worry and grief and three lads seeking adventure saved the disgrace of being booked as burglars.

All of which we maintain is good police business.

* * *

Officer Jim Gillespie of the Richmond station was so swelled up over the visit of the stork to his home, 568 Fourth Avenue, last month that he went out and challenged all comers to a pool contest. An expert of the cue took Jim on and since then Jimmy has quit pool and taken to pitching horseshoes.



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INSANITY DEFENSE

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are forbidden by the constitution to sum up the evidence, and are confined in their instructions to abstract and obstrues definitions of the law.

Why should we not do away with a defense which was introduced into the criminal law at a time when nearly all felonies were punishable by immediate death; and adjust our criminal defenses to the newer attitude of the law with reference to crime and criminals?

We are learning that a large portion of our so-called criminal class is defective mentally, and that the recidivists are usually defectives. An insane man cannot now be tried, while insane, nor if convicted can he be imprisoned or executed while insane, he must be treated as mentally sick and placed in a hospital, and tried or punished only when he has recovered. Even now an insane person who has been convicted cannot be sentenced nor can the sentence be executed while he is insane. It should be observed, however, that the insanity necessary to avoid a trial or after conviction to avoid punishment is of different degrees, and consequently the use of the word insan without modification is somewhat confusing.

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Walked in on Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien February 7th, seeking some information for Douglas 20.

"Well," said the Chief, "take a look at this report if you want to get some idea of what action is."

We looked at the report.

Briefly it was as follows:

On the morning of Feb. 6th at 6:03 o'clock Gurtler, Franklin K. Lane, and D. Cahill were sent to the Silk Shop, 350 Jones street, to investigate a smashed window.

In five minutes they had entered the store through the hole made in the window by a rock, and in a couple of minutes more they found George Montgomery, recently arrived from Nevada, hiding under a counter, and in two minutes more Cahill grabbed Curtis A. Duffield, 17 years of age, who said he lives in Oakland.

In a sack ready for removal were found silk wearing apparel of a retail value of \$1500. This was ready to be made away with, but the police explain that the sudden appearance of the officers on the scene caused the boy acting as lookout to tell his confederates inside to lay low.

It rained policemen for a while, for in addition to the above named officers, the following responded on orders from headquarters: Corporal M. J. Brady, Officers C. Desmond, W. Norton, Wm. Culen and George Burkhard.

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POLICE HEROES

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a sidewalk at the corner of Geary and Fillmore streets and fought the maddened animal until he was injured and exhausted. He preserved the safety of many pedestrians.

Berkshire Blaze Heroes.

Sergeant Peter McIntyre and Patrolmen Mark King and Patrick Walsh made many heroic rescues out of the burning Berkshire Apartments in Jones street on the night of February 9, 1920, but their work was considered as strictly in the line of duty.

Detectives Arthur G. Lahey and Fred Bowerman wrested smoking revolvers out of the hands of two highbinders who had committed a murder at 706 Jackson street, and Policeman Charles B. Kessing rushed upon an armed madman who had made a demand for \$5,000 in a Market street office. The board considered these acts as simply good police work.

Sergeants William Ross and Maurice O'Callahan and Patrolmen Edward J. Plume, E. A. Keaneally and P. H. Neilsen captured three bandits who had held up an army paymaster in Van Ness avenue after they had taken refuge behind houses. Policeman Robert L. Rauer fought and gained possession of a revolver that was used by Nick Gallego, ex convict, after he had shot the manager of a downtown restaurant while trying to rob him and Corporal Thomas Sullivan broke up the famous Jack Monahan gang of thugs and highwaymen. None of these got extra credits.

Murderer Seized.

The last three applications rejected were made by Corporal Albert D. Schmidt and Policeman William Bennett, who arrested Frank Martin, a notorious armed burglar, after he had shot an inmate of a house he was robbing; Harold W. Levy, who followed Jack McGill, alias O'Neill, wanted for two murders, into Golden Gate Park and overpowered him, and James F. Mackey, Jr., who took, single-handed, Gus Young and Shepard Williams, two men who had just "stuck up" several street cars and gasoline stations.

HARRY CAREY AND POLICE HORSES

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properly qualified for the work. That's why I am looking for a police horse."

It seems that Harry Carey, while appearing in person at the Golden Gate theater, as an added attraction to his latest release, "Good Men and True," spent all of his spare time between performances around Market street getting acquainted with mounted policemen and their horses. Mrs. Carey, the star's wife, declared she had to go out and look for Harry every day and was always



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sure to find him admiring some police horses.

Finally Carey appeared at the office of Chief O'Brien and cooled his heels for an hour until his turn finally came. He was introduced and came right to the point.

"Chief, I want to buy a horse from the police department for movie work and I want to meet the man who trains your horses for he sure must be a wizard."

Chief O'Brien took Carey out to the Golden Gate Park police stables and there made him acquainted with Inspector George Merchant, horse trainer for the Police Department.

"I've been all over the United States," said Carey, "and I've never seen a finer trained lot of horses—police horses or otherwise—than those in your charge, Mr. Merchant. I sure must hand it to you. You're a horseman and no mistake."

The cowboy star was not in the police stables long before his eye fell on "Star," Chief O'Brien's horse and personal property.

"Oh, boy! Here's a nifty!" shouted Carey in glee. "This is the fellow I want. Boy! This is sure the horse I've been looking for."

"I'm sorry," said Chief O'Brien, "but that fellow's not for sale. He's my own private property and I wouldn't part with him for anything."

"If you've got a price for him I want to hear it," said Carey.

"No price on that fellow," Chief O'Brien answered firmly.

Carey killed all of two hours petting and admiring the cherished stock of the police stables, and when he finally realized that he could not persuade Chief O'Brien to sell Star, he pursued a different course. He said he would give \$500 for any of the police horses in active service and he prevailed upon Chief O'Brien to promise that he would ask permission of the Board of Supervisors to sell one.

"In picture work, the stuff I do, you've got to have a horse with lots of fire and lots of intelligence," Carey explained to Chief O'Brien. "In one of the pictures I made since I pensioned off old Pete, I was riding a big ignorant cow in a stunt and almost killed off one of the actors. The stunt was that the actor was supposed to be shooting at some one off in the distance and I come galloping up behind him and sort of bulldog him. That is, I was to throw myself from the saddle on to his back and bear him to the ground. Lordy! I rode that big cow right for him to make more of a thrill and he didn't swerve to one side like Pete used to do in such stunts. No sir! That bone-headed horse ran right over the poor fellow and mugged him all up. Now a trained horse wouldn't have done that. A police horse is used to working with crowds and knows enough not to step all over people, doesn't he? That's what I'm after. When a fellow in my game has a good horse that he can depend upon, why it makes the dangerous stunts twice as easy and loses half the danger."

Harry Carey told Chief O'Brien that he was particularly impressed with the mounted force of the departemnt.

"Good horsemen," Carey declared. "If any of them are tired of the police business and want to break into the movies, there's jobs open for 'em in my outfit any old time—and that's not an idle threat."

And when a man like Harry Carey is impressed to that extent, Chief O'Brien can well be satisfied with the mounted force and Inspector George Merchant can well be proud of his handiwork in the training of the police horses. The police horses are picked, bought and trained by Merchant. They must qualify as to weight and height, the same as policemen, be in perfect physical condition, and go through many weeks of training before they are allowed out on a beat.

Ramon: "Didn't you see me down town yesterday? I saw you twice."

Margaret: "I never notice people in that condition."

WEAK ON DOCTRINE

The deacon of the colored church thought he would tip off the new parson that he was using too many big words. "Why, in yo' sermon, pahson," he said, "you used 'procrastination' about six times an' no one heah knows what it means."

"Well, I suttinly is 'sprised deacon," said the parson. "Yo-all shuah ought to know what dat word means. Why, procrastination am de fundamental doctrine of de Presbyterain church."

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pleasant conversation between the teamster and the hodse porter while carrying heavy packages that should be handled at the freight elevators.

Speaking of the lack of thought and consideration for the welfare of others, I wish to refer to the practice of many persons owning automobiles, mostly employees of firms situated within the parking zone, of parking their automobiles on streets north of California street, south of Mission street, and east of Battery street, and not within the prohibited zone. Many firms in the commercial district issued instructions that their employees using automobiles must obey parking laws. This was the co-operation that the Traffic Bureau hoped for and was much appreciated but see what has happened: Instead of these employees, salesmen, agents and others clubbing together and renting a vacant lot for exclusive parking, or parking in public garages, they now park their automobiles on streets and just outside the prohibited zone all day long in front of great business houses that require spaces for freight deliveries many times each day. This practice has increased that congestion of sleeping automobiles to such an extent that the business men affected on each side of the prohibited zone are now preparing petitions to the Traffic Bureau and Board of Supervisors to have the lines of the prohibited zone extended for several blocks on each side. I am convinced that this should be done in justice to the men who are creating new commercial districts, erecting beautiful buildings that prove our claim to increased business and commercial advancement. The automobile owner, prevented by law from unlimited parking at his place of business, cannot be allowed to become a menace to the business of other merchants situated immediately outside of a prohibited zone.

The congestion of parking automobiles has not yet reached its peak. It will develop as commercial business increases and demand constant attention and preparation to provide corrections and cures. "A stitch in time saves nine." Sleeping automobiles must be eliminated from the streets, to make room for the increase of active machines. Great automobile hotels must be encouraged to accommodate the future increase of automobiles in business districts; further co-operation and stricter enforcement must be carried on by all enforcement officers and officials, that all citizens may be educated to the necessity of this most important traffic law that deals directly with the speedy and effective movement of freight and merchandise. Otherwise commercial business cannot prosper. Thoughtlessness or selfishness cannot be permitted to become a source of irritation to business firms.

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Printing is now in these modern times the medium by which the advertiser meets his cus-



Alexander Dulfer

tomers, the businessman by his card, poster, book let, prospectus, circular letter or other such means, reaches the individual. It has become an art that calls for the best in thought execution and attractiveness.

The modern printer has more problems to face than any other business man. He must present something new, neat and worthy. He must display in a given space a given message and he must know what kind of type, paper, binding, inks, or ornaments that will make the "job" as it is called, effective or put it in the category of junk.

He has to deal with more figures than the income tax payer. He has to figure the price of the paper, the inks, the presswork, the composition, the binding, the wrapping, the lights, the rent, the delivery, and a dozen and other things, and yet he must come within a price that will meet the purse of the customer and make him come again.

All of which leads to the man who prints Douglas 20.

Alexander Dulfer is one of the best known printers in San Francisco. In 1896, he moved his little shop to 40 Eighth street, and at the present time occupies the entire fifth floor of 560 Mission street where he has kept abreast of the progress made in job printing.

He has grown from a humble beginning of a small place employing but one printer to an establishment employing from 25 to 30, had a motto that runs like this:

"Service, satisfaction and squareness."

It has paid him well. His business has grown until he had to add all modern equipment in the way of typesetting machines, automatic presses, folding machines and such, year after year he sees the faces of those who, during the past 25 and more years, have brought their printing problems to him.

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In addition to other lines of job work the Alex Dulfer Printing Company prints weekly and monthly magazines including Douglas "20."

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RATES ON APPLICATION

ICE BOX BANDITS

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Rosa, California, with the late Detective Lester Dorman and Sheriff James Petray by the Howard street shack gang. All three had large calibre revolvers, concealed under the waist band of their trousers ready for action.

Invariably, young girls are found either consorting with or as companions of gangs of this kind and in police "parlance" are called "Calico," which is perhaps an exact definition of their worth. They are usually frivolous, devoid of principle, mental capacity and of everything that goes with refined womanhood, eventually becoming a public charge.

All four were later identified as participants in all the market and drug store holdups and on conviction, three of them were sent to the penitentiary and Desmond on account of his age was committed to the Reform School. Hammond had a criminal record in one of the Eastern States, served a prison term and while en route from San Quentin to Folsom escaped from his guard at Sacramento but was later arrested near Boston and returned to the State Prison at Folsom where he is now confined.

All of these bandits were under twenty-three years of age. Statistics show that seventy-five per cent of all crimes of violence in this country are committed by young men from seventeen to twenty-five years of age. Burglaries have increased in this country during the last ten years twelve hundred per cent. There were nine thousand homicides during the year 1922, and about eighty-five thousand during the last ten years. The average prison age is descending very rapidly.

Is it not true that the present methods of handling criminals are making criminals faster than the police and all constituted authority can arrest and prosecute them. Every institution for the care and custody of both young and old offenders are filled to overflowing. If results count for anything, the whole system now existing for handling them is one hundred per cent failure. Think it over, it is worth while.

The big motor-car had turned upside down, burying the motorist under it, but the village constable was not to be thus lightly turned from his duty. "It's no use your hiding there," he said severely. "I must have your name and address."

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"DUTY"

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"Hit me," he said. "Hit me hard and beat it."

He turned his back on the prisoner, closed his eyes and awaited for the blow. It did not come.

"Hit me," demanded Harvey brokenly. The next minute he went to his knees, limp, shocked, the thunders of a bell roaring in his ears, a thousand lights dancing before his eyes. The bandit had accommodated him.

When the wagon arrived the crew found Harvey groping blindly on his hands and knees.

"He got away from me, fellows," was all he said. The next morning the Chief personally censured him for his loss.

Then followed a series of daring robberies in the city. Night after night the thief struck here and there and got away with the job. Harvey went about like a man in a daze.

One morning he went to the chief.

"Chief," he said. "I want a special assignment for a day or two. I can bring in that fellow who is pulling all the jobs around town."

The chief sneered.

"We've got better men than you on this case. You've got the swelled head," he said.

Harvey reported sick. That night he went after his man. Toward morning he closed in on

him. They met on a burglary job. It was Harvey who had "the drop."

"Come with me," he said and manacled his man. The crook did not threaten. He was silent until he reached headquarters. There, before the sergeant's desk, he bellowed his story to the world.

Reporters asked Harvey if it were true. Harvey was silent. The next morning the chief called him to his office. There Harvey confessed to being an ex-convict. He told the chief his story.

The chief sent him back on his beat. Today he wears the stripes of a corporal on his arm.

THE SEARCH FOR POISONS

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ing the methods for their separation and detection is not the purpose of this paper, but more to lead the way in a brief manner to the reader over the pathway which the toxicologist pursues in order to present evidence. The same pathway which your investigators in your departments tread, that is one of industrious and patient work.

Motorcycle Officer A. E. Schmidt has made Geary street as safe for a person to walk across as any thoroughfare in the city.

HEALTH: MORALS: SIGHT CONSERVATION (Continued from Page 11)

Compulsory eyesight examinations are made of trainmen, and some street railwaymen, merely to run their cars on guiding tracks—*yet motorists are still allowed to careen our cars in a half-blind manner over trackless course without eyesight requirement or inspection*—imperilling all who venture on the road if our eyesight is not up to standard.

A visual requirement of at least four-fifths normal vision would actually benefit many motorists, for the visual percentages hold, and only one-third of these who have defective vision are wearing glasses. Double the number, either knowingly or unknowingly, are handicapped. It is not only the danger to themselves, but the peril to other drivers and pedestrians that could be overcome by a standard of vision to which applicants for motor licenses must measure up to.

Optometrists recommend that drivers present a certificate from a legally registered practitioner telling that the applicant has fulfilled the visual requirements. They feel that with the enforcement of laws requiring such an examination many automobile accidents could be avoided and the death rate from car accidents be very much lowered.

Defects of Vision and Juvenile Delinquency.

Judge Charles L. Brown of the Philadelphia municipal court, declares that many cases of criminal proclivities came from defective vision in childhood.

The Philadelphia jurist, who is an authority upon the juvenile branch of the municipal court, discussed the social menace of poor eyesight as evidence in the cases coming before his tribunal.

"I know that judges and social workers all over the country," he said, "can cite hundreds of cases where delinquency and anti-social conduct depended not only on some wicked perversity in the child, but on such a simple thing as vision which needed correction."

Public attention, Judge Brown believes, should be enlisted in the campaign for the conservation of eyesight in America.

"We have a remedial department connected with the court which deals with the physical defects of children and adults. Again and again children and adults must be referred to optical specialists for treatment, and after treatment has been given the delinquency disappears or is much lessened. Many a child is inattentive in school—and may eventually become a truant—because he can not study as his eyesight needs attention."

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THE NEW WORLD WAR

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Every officer of the Police Department when on duty should become interested in the parking problems of business houses, within the prohibited zone, and note and report automobiles that are left standing for great periods of time at curb lines. The prospect of the establishment of municipal conducted garages under public parks or grounds is no longer an idle dream or an impossible engineering problem. I predict that in less than three years our parking congestion in business districts will be impossible of control unless steps are taken to obtain and hold vacant ground for the erection of automobile hotels, garages and parking spaces; future buildings will consider garage space for tenants; business men will prepare for cost of housing of idle automobiles that are not required during business hours.

Education of parking problems, must be carried on through co-operation between all members of the Police Department, and all citizens. Citizens have claimed that they have been misinformed by members of the department as to the boundaries of the 40 minute parking zone. If this be true it demonstrates the lost effort by a citizen to co-operate in the law, and a disappointment in the department. Parking and other traffic problems are no longer the work and duty of a selected few of the department.

As we sleep great buildings are being erected upon streets heretofore outside of our daily paths. The present pathways of pedestrian and vehicle travel is being diverted to streets whose environments have resisted the march of progress in the past.

The light of progress is being steadily carried forward by new business. Following closely will be seen thousands of motor vehicles advancing with supplies to new locations. To these locations will come an army of employees, and patrons and from all of which will spring new business districts, creating new reasons for the education and enforcement of restricted parking laws. Increasing business, and increasing parking congestion advances side by side. There is no escape, one from the other.

Realizing this, great plans should be made to carry on our share in this World War, and while we have yet time to put our house in order, let us do it.

We must by education and visionary planning prepare for the days not far distant when a hundred thousand motor vehicles will be striving for a place to park, not for 40 minutes, but for a much less period of time. By doing this we will avoid the dangers of procrastination in the preparation for defense against motor vehicle congestion.

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Wise planning, and executing by those having power and responsibility, unity and co-operation of all citizens; harmony in enforcement of law by enforcing officials; interest, attention and education by officers of the police department, will solve to the satisfaction of commercial business and citizens alike, the traffic problem of today, tomorrow, and the years to come of,

"Where shall they park?"

CHIEF MURPHY LAUDS BRAVERY OF DEAD HERO

Chief Murphy of the San Francisco Fire Department in commenting on the benefit arranged by The Chronicle for the family of Captain August Engelke, to be given at the Century Theatre next Thursday afternoon, called attention to the dead fireman's record for bravery.

"While Engelke received a medal for his work in rescuing a child from a fire shortly after he joined the department," said the chief, "he went out of his way to demonstrate that he was fearless in the performance of a man's duty wherever he found it.

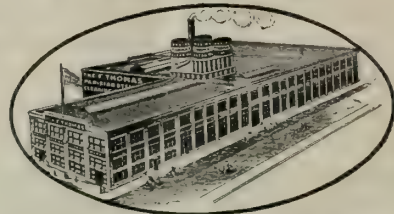
Stopped Runaway Horse.

"The way in which he stopped a runaway horse, before it could plunge into a crowd of women and children already has been mentioned. But the captain also distinguished himself when, on November 25, 1912, he captured a desperate criminal named Roy Wilson. He was commended by both the Police and Fire Commissioners at the time. These two acts were not in the course of his duty and deserve the more praise for that reason."

Benefit For Widow.

Engelke died January 24, leaving a widow and seven children, without funds. The Chronicle, in co-operation with Ackerman & Harris and the Film Booking Office, has arranged a benefit performance of "The Third Alarm," a spectacular fire-fighting film, at the Century from 11 a. m. to 5 p. m. Thursday. Tickets are to be sold at regular matinee prices, and there is no war tax. Firemen throughout the city are canvassing for the sale of tickets, and the Leo Feist Trio is aiding the campaign.

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MORE ABOUT FINGER PRINTS

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If this system of identification had been known in olden times what a world of dispute could have been avoided if the great artists of those periods, the "old masters" had impressed their thumb prints on the canvas containing their famous works of art to be compared by future generations with acknowledged imprints of the same genius deposited perhaps in some governmental archives. And how much money would have been saved through the failure to purchase bogus replicas by millionaire art collectors.

And to extend the suggestion further, how many will contests could be avoided, how many false deeds be obviated; how many forged documents done away with if every original will and every original deed were by law compelled to be impressed with the finger print of the maker and these valuable documents upon which hundreds of million dollars depend were then to be deposited in the archives of record to be compared even by future generations if necessary. Perhaps this suggestion will not be looked upon with much favor by many of our judges because under such circumstances a very large proportion of the litigation now clogging our civil courts would be entirely done away with. I am almost tempted to say that the more universal use of finger prints on all kinds of documents would do more than all the reformers and perhaps than all the churches and other estimable social institutions to empty our prisons and to eliminate our crimes.

Many minds are thinking along these lines and quite often new inventions are made known to render the work of the finger-print expert not only more certain but also more simple and more exact. Among other devices one of the most skillful is a finger print camera which not only photographs with accuracy finger prints but also makes clear and exact copies. It is of small compass and can be taken anywhere for operation. It can even reproduce colors. It needs no special apparatus but can be attached to any electric outlet.

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Chief O'Brien makes it a practice to see everybody he can possibly give an audience to. Some there are who come on trifling and trivial matters, but all are extended the same courteous treatment, all given a hearing at the outer office.

In charge of this office is Captain William Quinn, chief clerk to the chief and he has as his assistants Detective Sergeant Pfeiffer and Corporal Samuel Miller. These three attend to all visitors and determine their business, Pfeiffer and Miller answer all telephones sent into the chief, and there has been as many as 70 calls per hour for the chief's office.

Aside from this they take care of the distribution of the mail, listen to complaints, take care of a vast amount of clerical business, keep the card index system of all officers from their appointment to date.

With all this business to take care of none come into the reception room but are received in a kindly way and their business ascertained and given instructions as to when they can see the chief, or if their business can be attended to by another department directed to that department.

Chief O'Brien says that since the three men he has now in charge of his outer office he has never had a complaint for discourteousness and has on the other hand received messages commending him on the manner in which the sender was received when calling at the head office of the police department.

Captain Quinn in addition to the duties referred to above has to see to the issuing of the daily orders, attend to all details for special events, look after the boxers, and keep in touch with all outside stations. Then about seven o'clock, like the Chief at about midnight, he has nothing to do "until tomorrow."

FUNERAL BURGLAR CAUGHT

With the arrest of G. N. Wagonhauser, styled the "funeral burglar," the police brought an end to the career of one of the most baffling and despicable criminals that has worked in this city for years.

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His method of operation was to read the newspapers, note the deaths, get the time of the funeral and while the family was attending the last rites of their departed ones would enter the home darkened by death and move everything he could carry away.

He would go to the home and ring the bell. If no answer was forthcoming he would break in. Sometimes he would go to the house next door and get information as to whether the family was away or not.

One of the homes he entered was that of Detective Sergeant William Proll who was attending the funeral services of Mrs. Proll's mother. He got away with all the valuables he could find.

The pawnshop detail with the assistance of Detectives Joseph Lippi and James Gregson, have recovered nearly \$5000 worth of the loot, and each day in the property clerk's office dozens of people who suffered at the hands of the burglar sort over the array of property to find some of their missing clothing or jewelry.

"MR. DOOLEY" OF STOW LAKE, PAL OF TOTS, SLAIN

"Mr. Dooley" is dead. Ask the children who for many years have played about the edge of Stow Lake in Golden Gate Park who he was if you don't know.

There was no swan song for him. He was ruthlessly slain, still apparently in the prime of life.

Two men were arrested, Robert Ayres of Millbrae, and John Raymond, 111 Mason street. Park Policeman Charles Uhlenberg and Jack McGreevey, who made the arrest, placed all the charges against them they could find in the city ordinances and were sorry they could not find anything in the penal code on swan-slaughter.

Mr. Dooley has sailed gracefully on Stow Lake for many years. Many a sack of pop corn he has consumed to the delight of his young friends.

He was a great favorite, too, with the park employees. He had assumed the role of general protector to all the birds on the lake and was a dangerous antagonist to any foe.

They tell the story of Mr. Dooley's shrewdness, that it was he who circumvented the cunning of the rats. Food for the birds with long necks was floated in a deep box on the lake. The box was anchored ashore by a rope. The rats walked the rope and stole the food. Mr. Dooley pondered the situation for a day or two and then he waited for Mr. Rat. When the rat got well on his way Dooley shook the rope.

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WELFARE OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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come by experience as a police officer. The experienced members of the department and more particularly the superior officers should always be desirous of rendering advice and counsel to all newly-appointed officers as to the proper performance of police duty. It is a well known fact that the mistake of a single member if flagrantly or negligently made reflects to the detriment of the entire department. All such actions should be avoided. The manner in which our department is constituted with its various ranks graded from the patrolman to the chief of police permits of that assistance which is so necessary in accomplishing every lawful object. My suggestion is that where a situation presents itself to a patrolman regarding which he is in doubt he should without hesitation take the matter up with his non-commissioned officer. The non-commissioned officer in turn should be willing to discuss it with his platoon commander and if necessary for the proper solution of the problem the matter should be taken up with the company commander or with my office. I have always felt that many wrong steps which are made in good faith could be obviated by the taking of advice and counsel with each other in the department.

We owe it to ourselves to put forth the best that is in us in any undertaking we may pursue, and indeed, from our experience with the people of this municipality there can be no question but that we owe it to them to render the highest possible degree of police service for the safety of their interests.

JUDGES MAKE RECORD IN FINES

Records prepared by James A. Wilson, deputy county clerk, who handles police court fines, show that more fines were collected in local municipal courts during the month of January just passed than in any other month in the history of the city.

Total fines collected in the four departments of the police court amounted to \$11,330.

The fines were distributed as follows: Department 1, Daniel S. O'Brien, judge, \$300; department 2, Sylvain J. Lazarus, judge, \$2,675; department 3, Sylvester McAtee, judge, \$4,875; department 4, Lyle T. Jacks, judge, \$3,480.

Most of the women's cases are heard by Judge O'Brien. Judge Jacks and Judges Lazarus get most of the bootleggers, and Judge McAtee handles the speeders and traffic law violators, where business also was brisk during the month.

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Beating Them To The Punch

By ROBERT BURGH, of *The San Francisco Chronicle*, and Nearly a Quarter of a Century on the Police Beat
Illustrates Psychology in the Police Department

Experience of more than twenty years as a police reporter has made of me a skeptic. There are many things, accepted by the average person as facts, in which I do not believe. I do not believe in the possibility of reforming the true criminal; I do not believe in that intellectual prodigy posing in fiction as a detective; and I do not believe in the general condemnation psychology is given by the average police officer.

Such a figure as Sherlock Holmes, I believe, never existed and furthermore could not exist. Of course, I have heard of isolated cases where marvelous deduction has played a magic part in the solving of the crime, but I think the solution was due largely to luck, and I have never heard of one of those deducting phenomenon repeating. Sherlock Holmes always repeated, and this I believe to be a psychological impossibility. I think that Conan Doyle realized this and that is why he made his hero a cocaine fiend. It gave the author an "out," if his character was too closely analysed.

When I speak of psychology, I can hear the snicker of the majority of the readers of this article, for not only do they not believe in psychology as a means of solving crime; but they attempt to brush it aside with a sweep of disdain. Yet it is true that the most successful detectives do use psychology, even though they may use it unconsciously.

When I speak of psychology I do not mean lie detectors, a system of questions and such things, for they have been proved to be fallacy twenty years ago. Hugo Munsterberg was the first to propose this line of criminal investigation in the New York Police Department; but those eastern

investigators, after giving the Munsterberg system a thorough test, threw it into the rubbish heap. Even fiction has discarded this psychological idea and when fiction refuses to countenance anything in the detective line, that thing must be stretching probabilities to a pretty fine thread. Some years ago a book was written by Edwin Balmer called *Luther Trent*. It told of a number of crimes that were solved by the Munsterberg method, but that book has not much standing now, and never was very widely read.

By using psychology in crime, I mean that the officer takes into consideration the workings of the criminal's mind and thinks just about three jumps ahead of the criminal. William James, one of the highest authorities in psychology, says that psychology is the science of the workings of the mind, and when he says science he means that given certain conditions the reactions or results must always be the same.

To illustrate more fully what I mean, I would like to tell you about a case of detection that came under my observation not so long ago, that I think should be classed among the masterpieces of detective work. It is a case wherein intelligence was used with good hard plugging and it brought results. Let us follow this case and I will show you where the psychology comes in.

On January 24th, 1923, shortly after ten o'clock in the evening, there walked into the offices of the Captain of Detectives, Zuko Hudekoff, who complained that he had been robbed. Emmet Hogan was on the desk and took the complaint.

And here let me give you a little illustration of how Emmett uses psychology, though when he sees this he will undoubtedly deny it and I ex-

pect that he will call me down for my assertion. But Emmett has drummed it so into his "gang," as he calls them, that they are the best detectives in the world that they commence to believe it, and they really do some mighty good work. Even bill Mudd believes he is the best chauffeur in the world, and this is why:

Bill had to take the detectives to the Central Emergency Hospital one day in the police automobile on a stabbing case. The victim was thought to be in a dying condition and a dying statement was to be taken, but as the automobile had left there was some difficulty in conveying the representative from the District Attorney's office to the hospital, so Hogan telephoned to Bill to hurry back for the Assistant District Attorney. Bill hurried all right. It was a foggy night and the



Detectives James Hayes, Frank Brown, William Mudd

streets were slippery. In rounding a turn the machine skidded and was put out of commission.

Did Emmett blame Bill?

He did not. He told Bill, "Good work, Alabam. Even if you had an accident, it's liable to happen to anybody, but it shows the world that we are right Johnny on the Spot and not afraid to take a chance in doing police duty."

Bill hasn't lost a bit of his confidence and he will always be on his toes to do his best. Also he will drive more carefully in future because he likes Emmett and he doesn't want to get Hogan's "gang" in "Dutch."

Thats using psychology with a purpose.

But to return to the case of Zuko Hudekoff.

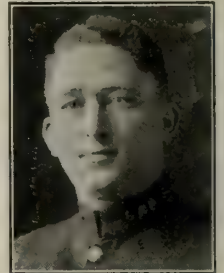
Hogan had the complainant in the chair beside the desk and asked for the tale of woe.

Hudekoff told Hogan that while walking along First Street with a companion named Ray Hebling, two men jumped out of a dark doorway and thrusting a gun into his face, robbed him of \$281. Further questioning disclosed the fact that only Hudekoff was searched and robbed. Hebling was not molested. Also the robber only thrust his hand into the pocket that contained the money and after getting it searched no further.

This, of course, was suspicious and Hudekoff was further questioned, but he maintained that Hebling could have had no hand in the robbery,

because Hebling was his friend, whom he had often befriended, even to the extent of lending him money. He said that he even had tried to get Hebling a job as a janitor in the same building where he was employed. No, he was sure that Hebling had nothing to do with the robbery and nothing could shake this story.

Hogan, without flickering an eyelash, took Hudekoff into the back room to get a statement. In the meantime he sent Frank Brown and Jimmy Hayes to get Hebling and any other persons who might be in the Hebling home.



Corporal Emmett Hogan

Hogan went to work to get a written statement and kept right at it, until one of the men returned and whispered into his ear that they had brought Hebling and his wife.

"All right," Hogan said, "Just finish this statement while I go into the other room."

In the other room, Hogan separated Hebling and his wife, and then put Hebling over the jumps. Hebling told a straight story that verified Hudekoff's in every particular and nothing could swerve him from his tale. Hebling denied any knowledge of the participants of the robbery. He admitted that he was not robbed, though, he said, he had \$95 in his pocket at the time. He said he had

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SERGEANT MIGNOLA SHOTS FIRST

Bandits, auto bandits in particular, in mobs of three or four are used to having a gent they tell to hold up his hands do so instantly, but three of these night riders got the surprise of their young lives a short time ago when they encountered Police Sergeant Joseph Mignola, attached to the Mission station, out in the Sunset district.

Mignola, who was in plain clothes, was going home from work when the three youths in an automobile drove up and commanded him to throw up the food conveyors. Instead of complying with the order, though he saw the bandits were armed, the sergeant decided to "shoot it out" with the trio. He fired and a fusillade followed, with the net result that Mignola escaped without injury, one man, H. Brothers, was shot and captured a little later, a few days after another, Byron Mose, was caught, and the third, with a bullet wound in his neck, was taken in custody in Los Angeles. The third man's name was William Hollingsworth and he escaped from the Los Angeles county hospital after being taken there for treatment.

Hollingsworth is wanted for murdering Jules Benvenuti, who was shot and killed at 701 Octavia street in a holdup last January.

Commissioner Andrew F. Mahony

Newest Member of Police Board Was Born and Raised in San Francisco; Left High Salaried Traveling Salesman Job to Go Into Shipping Business. Brought First Cargo of Lumber Into City After Fire

California is a country of romance. Since the Spanish priests and early explorers first touched on its friendly shores its history has been intertwined with romance of love, money, trade, business and adventure. And of the romance of the business world, none has more interest or color than the romance of the career of Andrew F. Mahony, San Francisco's most recently appointed police commissioner.

Mahony was born some fifty odd years ago on Twenty-first street, just west of Valencia. It is a peculiar fact that this strip of Twenty-first



Andrew F. Mahony

street is the birthplace of more prominent San Francisco men than perhaps any other street in the city. Mayor Rolph was born there, and so were the Summers and Olsons and Davises—all well-known San Francisco names.

From earliest boyhood Mahony took a keen interest in all athletics. Even now there are few contests in any branch of sport, from tennis to football, that he misses. "Keep the body fit and the mind will be in good condition, too," is one of his favorite sayings. "Athletic training is the greatest step a man can take toward success" is another. While still in his teens Mahony became a member of the Olympic Club and distinguished himself as a boxer and wrestler.

In the late Nineties we find the commissioner married and holding a position as one of the high-

est paid salesmen on the Pacific Coast. Handling a line of dry goods he traveled up and down the Coast, visiting the lumber camps and "dark places," and making friends wherever he went. Today he is still "one of the gang" to loggers, foremen and lumber owners alike. The friendships he made thirty years ago endured.

In the course of his travels—he made about twenty-five trips each year by water—he became interested in navigation, believing it to be the open sesame to the wealth of California and the entire Coast. For this reason, in the early part of the century, he threw up a \$7,000 per year job as salesman and entered the shipping business with Oliver Olson, for about \$200 a month. A little later he built his first steam schooner. At the launching of this vessel one of the guests was Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien, at that time engineer and superintendent of the Buckley Building, where Mahoney's offices were located. In this capacity the present Chief was the commissioner's landlord!

Associated in the shipping business with Olson, Mahony operated a small string of ships between San Francisco and the lumber country in the North. His revenue from this business was still far less than his earnings as a salesman, but following the great San Francisco fire he got his first chance. A great portion of the city was in ruins—and there was no material to rebuild. Mahony conceived the idea of rushing down lumber—all the lumber that could be brought—and he started to put his idea into practice. The big business men of the city laughed. A losing proposition, they said, and one which would probably plunge him into bankruptcy. But Mahony knew better, and he went ahead in spite of their advice. He brought lumber—his early lumber friendships now standing him in good stead—and brought 5,000,000 feet of building timber down from Coos Bay. His was the first lumber to reach the city, and Mahony soon proved the truth of the saying that "He who laughs last, laughs best" by flashing a check for nearly \$100,000, clear profit, in the faces of his erstwhile critics.

That gave him his real start, but he didn't stop there. His little fleet of schooners grew and grew and grew. Then it grew some more. Today Mahony's main efforts are devoted to the Andrew F. Mahony Company, which operates a line

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Our Emergency Hospitals

By EARL DODGE, *Bulletin Police Reporter*. Shows How These Two Branches of the City's Service Deal with Violent Crime, One Depending Upon the Other

With a remarkable growth in twenty-three years and practically in that much sought stage of perfection, San Francisco's Emergency Hospital system as it functions today, is the envy of other municipalities both in the United States and foreign lands.

Without developing an acute case of ego-mania you, Mr. Citizen, may boast that the local hospital service is practically unequalled in any other section of the country. Unlike many other cities San Francisco has not the fierce competition of private hospitals for patients after an accident. In protecting citizens here, the local hospital service

attention at the scene of disaster but act as an auxiliary police if the regular police have not arrived. They wear the seven-pointed star the same as the regular police, with the exception of the insignia, and are known also as special police. After giving the victims first aid treatment, they are rushed to the nearest Emergency Hospital and given required care. After the shock period has passed and prolonged care is needed, the patient is then removed to the City and County Hospital if without funds, or to a private hospital if the patient wants it.

In protecting the public, the police department and emergency service are closely interlocked, both functioning as co-ordinating units when required. Through the strenuous days of the great disaster of 1906, the influenza epidemic, and practically in every case handled by the hospitals these two units work hand in hand.

The average number of cases handled by the Emergency Hospital service amounts to practically an average of 25,000 a year. In these cases are grouped minor and major injuries of all kinds, childbirths and diseases. Good work on the part of hospital doctors and stewards has resulted in a less serious charge being placed against offenders in body injuring crime. Potential murders have been avoided by medical skill. In fire disasters, the hospitals are using the most modern method of treating burns, resulting in a decrease of mortality and disfigurement.

The Detention Hospital which confines the insane is also under the control of the same system. Here the mentally deranged are examined and placed under observation. If found actually insane they are sent to a state institution or a private sanatorium.

The entire Emergency Hospital system, Detention Hospital and San Francisco Hospital is controlled by the Board of Health. Dr. William Hasler, city health officer, is in direct supervision, with Chief Surgeon Dr. Edmund Butler in immediate charge. Chief Steward James O'Dea is in personal charge.

Detective James Hansen brought Alfred Rickards, wanted for taking an automobile out of this state before paying for it, back from Los Angeles. Richards tried to sting the J. W. Leavitt Company. He is now trying to find a window to look out of the best city prison in the state.



as conducted by the city government through the Board of Health, no thought is given to mercenary gain as the service is given free.

The advantages of the local service has attracted representatives from many other cities, and foreign lands. After thorough inspection, similar systems have been installed in other localities.

From two horse-drawn ambulances of several decades ago, to the fast fleet of six motor ambulances today, has marked an epoch in health and safety protection. Modern medical equipment, in quantity and quality together with expert medical knowledge has made the advance possible.

With five Emergency Hospitals located in regard to density of population and hazard areas, the service is daily caring for the aftermaths of accidents and body injuring crime.

Not only does the hospital crew, composed of a driver and steward, attend to required medical

Police Training and Education

By CHIEF OF POLICE DANIEL J. O'BRIEN, *Whose Efforts to Give Public Highest Efficiency Puts New Officers Through Intensive Training for Service in Department*

Beyond question of doubt the problem of police training and education is the most essential task that confronts the police departments of the United States at the present time. We have arrived at a period of American civilization where the citizen demands not the arbitrary exercise of physical power on the part of a police officer, but the calm analytical judgment of a man in whom the constitution and laws have vested the rights and powers to carry into execution the criminal code of the particular state in which he performs police duty. Of course, it is well to bear in mind that a police officer must look for his authority in the criminal statutes and criminal ordinances of his municipality. It becomes his duty by virtue of his office to enforce without fear or favor the laws which he finds upon the statute books. As a matter of fundamental reasoning it is an absolute impossibility for him to carry out the trust imposed upon him unless he himself has a working knowledge of these laws. This applies peculiarly to a police officer doing patrol duty. Within that sphere of activity he is looked upon in many instances, not alone as the protector of the peoples' lives and properties, but as a judge and a jury upon many trivial matters which he is expected to summarily decide. Unless he knows the laws upon which his action must be based he will not give the service which is expected of him and very naturally, if he has manifested an ignorance of the laws which he is expected to know, such conduct on his part will reflect to the detriment of the entire department.

In the relationship between citizens many questions arise which may be either civil or criminal in their nature, or in fact may be both. Unless the police officer understands the fundamental distinction between acts which call for criminal procedure as distinguished from civil procedure his advice will only result in confusion to the citizen and considerable dissatisfaction with the officer's conduct. It can also be stated without hesitation that the greatest support which an officer has is to know the ground upon which he proceeds. If a complaint is made to him which involves a civil action exclusively he can without hesitation inform the citizen that it is beyond the pale of police jurisdiction and he can immediately advise the questioner to take the necessary steps with a view of seeking redress in the civil courts should the citizen so desire. On the other hand, where a complaint is received and the officer through a

good working knowledge of the criminal laws knows that a criminal act has been committed, it then becomes his duty to proceed immediately and carry out the trust imposed upon him. This cannot be done unless the police officer has given close attention to the criminal laws of his state and the ordinances of his municipality.

The charge has often been made against police officers that when some complicated question arises and they are requested to take action they (the officers) instead of proceeding in the manner prescribed by law become insolent and abusive to



the party who insists upon their action. The reason for this has been stated as the lack of knowledge on the part of officers as to the laws governing the particular conduct complained of. This charge undoubtedly has some merit and can be entirely eliminated by the proper education on the officer's part.

To prepare a police officer for the part he is to play in American life it is necessary that some steps be taken by police departments in training and educating the incoming members as to the laws and regulations governing their conduct. When this is done we will find that a closer union will exist between the people whom we serve and the members of police departments. In most cities at the present time incoming members of a police department are required to serve six (6) months as a probationary period before finally

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The Policeman and The Public

Written for DOUGLAS 20 by RABBI RUDOLPH I. COFFEE, *Temple Sinai, Oakland, Pays Tribute to Modern Police Officer and His Work*

If my experiences as a lad were typical of the average American youth, and I believe they were, we cordially disliked the policeman and were deadly afraid of him. When the maid wished to frighten us, she only had to remark that the policeman called at the house to inquire, and immediately we were greatly alarmed. Today that has all changed. The policeman is now the friend of



Rabbi Rudolph I. Coffee

the school children. Instead of running away from the man with the star, our youngsters joyously run up to him and hold his large outstretched hand. How are we to explain this tremendous change which has taken place?

First and most important, the policemen themselves have lifted the calling they follow to a place of genuine dignity and commanding importance. Fifty years ago, a fellow out of work was glad to get a job on the force until he secured another place of employment. The man was not sincerely interested in police technique and only, with a half heart, entered into the dignity of the opportunities afforded him. No man did more to awaken public opinion to the wonderful possibilities of the police department than Theo-

dore Roosevelt, who, as police commissioner of New York City, did so much to uplift the morale of the department. His zeal and encouragement sent a thrill through the entire country, and today we realize how much he wrought for all police departments.

Then, we must consider that the world war has had its decided influence. Men are now entering the force who had their baptism of fire in France, and are not strangers to moments of danger. With such fine candidates for the force, a complete change entered the spirit underlying the departments of America. When a man seeks admission to the police force today, he chooses it as a life work and sees therein a great opportunity for service. He has a new outlook on life. It is not to make a record for arresting the greatest number, but rather to prevent the greatest amount of law breaking. The old idea was to arrest, the modern theory is to prevent conditions which might lead to arrest through violating laws. Thus, while the former officer was quick to catch the offender, the modern officer is trained to discover possibilities of wrong and then guard the spot that no harm may result. In police work, assuredly the "ounce of prevention is worth the pound of cure."

The modern policeman must be a subtle student of human nature. So many of us live on edge and while a word may excite us the kindly smile will quickly set us aright. Take the traffic officer, most misunderstood in so many instances. Hundreds of autos daily pass him, and his is the trying task of keeping traffic moving with all kinds of drivers, good bad, indifferent and reckless as well as incompetent. Every other person may lose his temper but not the policeman. His stand in the middle of the street, exposed to all kinds of weather and vehicles is highly dangerous, but thanks to the great credit of America's finest, these men have honored their country by unselfish devotion to duty.

The newspapers and the stage are changing front. In days now rapidly passing, people believed that policemen were crooked. Now, we are convinced that, man for man, they are just as honest as bankers, merchants or any other class of business men. Considering the many temptations set before them, I would say they are sec-

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Should Insanity Defense Be Abolished?

By JUDGE CURTIS D. WILBUR, *Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of California*
Detailed Discussion of Subject

(Continued from February Issue)

The responsibility of the insane for criminal action has been a subject of discussion for centuries and different ages, and different countries, have reached varying conclusions. Philosophers, criminologists, physicians, psychiatrists, lawyers, judges and legislators have discussed the question so thoroughly that I venture upon the treatment of the subject only because recent developments in penology have pointed the way to practical reforms which may be readily adopted. The Juvenile Court legislation; the system of probation and parole for the adult criminal, and the indeterminate sentence by which a convict's release depends upon his conduct while in custody, all place emphasis upon the power and duty of the State to deal with the offender with a view to his reformation. The system of probation and parole have already been extended to the insane with marked success. There is nothing new in the idea that reformation of the offender is a cardinal reason for punishment except the increased emphasis given to that idea by this new plan.

In the Juvenile Court we acquire jurisdiction over the child who commits any offense, however trifling, and the court exercises that jurisdiction for the good of the child and of society, if deemed necessary until it has attained the age of 21. The State stands in loco parentis and like a good parent gradually relaxes its control as the child gains in discretion and self control until the parental supervision fades into complete liberty of the child.

It is obviously dangerous to release an insane person who has committed one murder, or rather, who has innocently killed some unsuspecting and unoffending bystander, because under the same influence he may kill another when the occasion arises. His very innocence of wrong motives and inadequacy of provocation makes him a greater menace to society than the wilful wrongdoer. It seems clear that an insane man who has killed another man should be under the jurisdiction of the State during the balance of his life, and that apparent or actual recovery from his malady should not completely release him from all restraint or supervision, particularly as at least thirty per cent of apparent recoveries have relapses.

Various legislative efforts have been made to protect the State against the insane who have committed or threatened criminal acts. In this state commitments to the state asylum are limited

to those insane in danger of doing harm to the property or person or health of themselves or others.

In cases of acquittal on the ground of insanity our statute provides that the verdict shall so state and that the court may thereupon order another trial before another jury upon the subject of his insanity, "if the jury find the defendant insane, he shall be committed to the state insane asylum. If the jury find the defendant sane he shall be discharged." However, if the judge entertains a



Judge Curtis D. Wilbur

doubt as to the defendant's sanity, the defendant should not be tried at all until he has been declared sane by a jury selected for the purpose of that inquiry and therefore it is hardly to be expected that the judge will immediately after the trial call in another jury to try the defendant for insanity after he has been acquitted, and as a matter of fact it is rarely done. In New York, however, the verdict of acquittal on the ground of insanity results ipso facto in a commitment to an insane asylum, as in the Thaw case. In discussing that matter the Supreme Court of New York said: "Such a commitment is not for the punishment of such a defendant, for there can be no punishment for him who has been acquitted, but it is for the protection of the public made in the exercise of the police power of the state, which permits the restraint of an insane person who at

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Keep Yourself Young

By AL. WILLIAMS, Noted Trainer Who Tells What to Do to Accomplish This Desire of All People. Says Be Quick and Snappy and Don't Get Lazy

Keep up your speed if you want to keep young. By that I don't mean that you should try to run or perform athletic feats as well as you could when you were a boy.

But don't permit yourself to become too deliberate in your ordinary movements.

This is not my idea. I read it in a medical book and adopted it. None of us can have all the ideas in the world.

We must read and hear in order to learn. Often we read and hear suggestions that are not good, or which are impracticable; but this is one of the good ideas and I am not ashamed to borrow it.

The first sign of advancing age, the article I read went on to say, is the loss of snap.

Watch an old man get out of a chair. He thinks a second or two before he starts.

Watch, on the other hand, a young man or a boy getting up out of a chair.

There's nothing deliberate about him. He gets up with a snap—he does everything with a snap.

But, you ask, how can that be helped? By the simple method of not permitting ourselves to be slow.

Snap is something which we all have in youth and which can be maintained if we try.

Slouchiness and slowness is a habit we can easily fall into. When we lose snap it means that there is no longer the close relation between the brain and the muscles there should be.

There's a lack of co-ordination, as the doctors would say; the telegraph system of which the brain is the central station is not working smoothly and easily.

To maintain snap is so easy that it's really easier to maintain it than not to.

Take the mere act of getting up from a chair to illustrate. If you get up quickly there's no effort to it at all. But if you get up slowly there's the effort of getting started—and the effort of lifting yourself to a straight position after you get up.

Watch an old man getting up from a reclining position. First he gets up on his elbow. Then he rolls partly over on his face. Next he draws up his knees. He has to get on his knees before he can get on his feet and begin straightening up his body.

Then watch a boy. He just rolls over and up and the trick is done—almost with one movement.

When a boy wants an orange or the salt at the table he reaches out and gets it.

The old man takes several seconds to make up his mind that he wants the orange or the salt.

And, if he does, he reaches for it deliberately—without a particle of snap.

A month ago I wrote an article saying we could each make ourselves younger by ten years if we only thought we were that much younger.

Now let's not only make up our minds that we're ten years younger but let's act it.

Do Everything With a Swing.

Walk snappily. Act quickly in everything. That doesn't mean that you should do a thing before you think.

Neither does it mean that you should carry out the idea to the point of making yourself seem unnatural or silly.

Just be yourself as you were when you were twenty-five or thirty. You were not slow or deliberate then. Why be now?

You won't be if you watch yourself. But, as for liberty, constant vigilance is the price you will have to pay.

I really think that every person has in him or her the power to hold back his or her age by twenty years.

And it's all so easy. **JUST THINK AND ACT YOUNG.**

(Another article by Al Williams will appear next month).

PRISON BOARD FIX TERMS

The following definite terms for prisoners sent from this city to San Quentin under the indeterminate law, have been fixed by the prison board and have been sent to A. L. Goldman, in charge of the branch office of County Clerk Harry I. Mulcrevey in the Hall of Justice:

Colombus Simplicio, attempted arson, sentenced by Judge Louis H. Ward. Sentence fixed, 3 years.

James Crabens, burglary, second degree, sentenced by Judge Harold Louderback. Sentence fixed, 3 years.

Harry X. Gold, burglary, sentenced by Judge Louis H. Ward. Sentence fixed, 4 years.

Tony Navarro, vio. Sec. 266-D, sentenced by Judge Michael Roche. Sentence fixed, 2 years.

John Zamet, violating Sec. 288, sentenced by Judge Louis Ward. Sentence fixed, 10 years.

Charles Howard, burglary, sentenced by Judge Michael Roche, 5 years.

Sir Basil Thomson Discusses Crime

LESLIE C. GILLEN, *Chronicle Police Reporter Has Interview With Noted Scotland Yard Head Who Visited This City*

Anyone inclined to criticize our American Police Departments as inefficient, butter-fingered organizations barely worth what is spent on them, would indeed profit by a half hour chat with Sir Basil Thomson, former British Commissioner of Police and a big boss of Scotland Yard.

If nothing more, it would, I feel certain, enlighten them to the extent of modifying their views and perhaps make them realize that for many of the faults they find with the police they, themselves, are responsible.

This may sound exaggerated but it is, nevertheless, true. Most Americans are too inclined to look for the European trademark before they accept the article for its real worth. Whether it is soap or silk, perfume or cheese, it must have "Made in Europe" stuck on somewhere or they won't bite, even though the home product might be just as good if not better.

The same goes for Police Departments. Say Scotland yard or the Paris Police, and your skeptical one signs the dotted line without reading the contract as it were. That's because of the European trademark. But chance to mention an American Police Department in the same breath and then sit back and listen to the Niagara of ridicule.

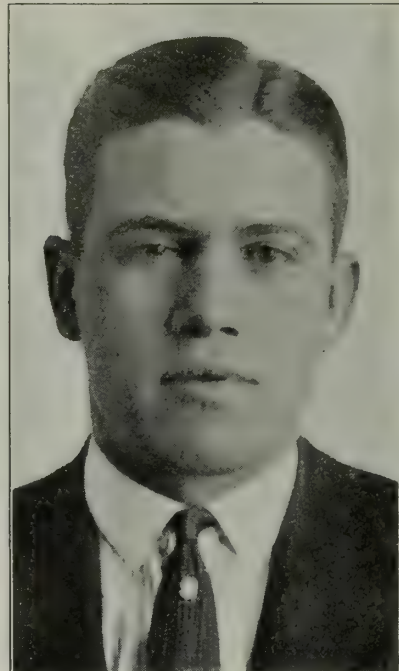
How many of San Francisco's 700,000 or more loyal citizens will agree that our own Police Department ranks among the foremost in the world? A shamefully small number, I fear, and yet, here is no less an authority on Police than Sir Basil Thomson, himself, who frankly says that the American criminal is a much more violent type than is met in any of the European countries, generally speaking, and that his method of operation and prevailing conditions in America confront the American police with a much graver problem in coping with crime.

The writer had the good fortune of a half hour's chat with Sir Basil during his recent stay in San Francisco, when, quite informally he dropped into the Hall of Justice to get better acquainted with Chief Dan O'Brien and Captain Matheson. Five minutes after you meet Sir Basil, you realize that he is not a man given to flattery. In other words, he says honestly what he thinks, and therefore, it is not a mistake to accept as complimentary, his answer to the most natural question for an interviewer to ask:

"What do you think of the San Francisco Police Department?"

His answer came without a second's hesitation:

"I do not think I am qualified to answer that question fully since I have only been here three days, but I will say that what I have seen of your department thus far, has impressed me most favorably. San Francisco is noted in police statistics the world over as being foremost in cleaning up crimes—that is to say—few crimes go unsolved and I might say unpunished in San Fran-



Leslie C. Gillen

cisco. Your police have a very good record for running down and closing criminal cases."

That Sir Basil is a finished authority on the police business and knows what's what in the United States as well as in Europe, was evident by the many other interesting things he had to say.

Primarily, Sir Basil contends that the chief drawback in the United States is that the public lacks both respect for and a desire to co-operate with the police. The public is too willing to take the Police Department for granted and adopt the attitude that they are being paid for what they accomplish.

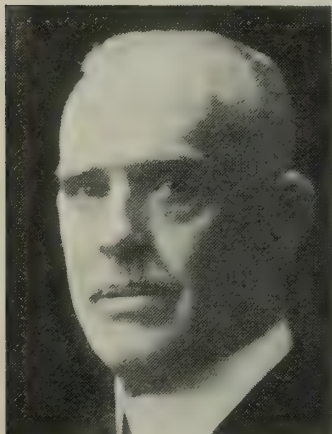
Moreover, Sir Basil correctly perceives that the laws of the various states are too conflicting and that the courts are too lenient and do not give the police the proper support. He asserts that

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The Church Burglar

By CAPTAIN OF DETECTIVES DUNCAN MATHESON, Whose 23 Years in Police Work Has Made Him a National Figure in Detection of Criminals

Burglars are classified by the character of their work; that is by the character of the places entered and how and where they gain entry to the places they intend to rob. This in brief is what is termed "the modus operandi" or method of operation.



Captain Duncan Matheson

By getting exact information in a burglary case as to time, location, kind of building, method of entry, how the premises were ransacked, manner of leaving and all details in connection therewith, it is a very simple matter to classify them with minute exactness. The Police Department therefore makes a card index

from that basis and then puts in a card for every burglary under its proper index and when the arrest is made, the classification will show under its proper heading just how many offenses the party arrested has committed. This plan is very simple and of tremendous importance in making investigations because the cards will show at a moment's notice how many jobs he has committed. A few simple rules properly applied will clear up many mysterious cases. When a burglar is told that he committed a certain number of burglaries, he will inevitably ask the question, "Well, how did you figure that out?"

The church burglar derived his name from a series of church burglaries, entering only in the night time, and carrying the property away in person. His name was Stanislaus Koscinski, born in Poland, and when a baby, was brought to this country by his father.

When old enough he enlisted in the Marine Corps, U. S. N., and deserted at Hong Kong in 1915, and during the World War prior to the entry of this country into the war, he made his way from Hong Kong to Harbin and across Siberia by the Trans-Siberian Railroad to Petrograd, where he was arrested on suspicion of being a German spy; he speaking German fluently and in order to save his neck, he was compelled to disclose his identity to the American Consul. He was given a ticket and proper credentials and sent back on his honor to Hong Kong.

He was tried and convicted of desertion and

sentenced to two years in the Naval Prison near Manila. On the declaration of war by the United States, he was released and restored to duty and in due time on account of his ability was promoted to the rank of sergeant. He married a Filipino woman, who had a five-year old son by a former husband. He was transferred from the Islands to Mare Island and brought his wife and family along. He again deserted coming to San Francisco and immediately began his criminal career. About the beginning of the year 1922, he began to rob churches in the Bush Street Police District and extended his activities throughout the Western Addition and Park-Presidio district, burglarizing about fifteen in all.

He varied the time between jobs from a day to three weeks and the police details that were placed on the different churches failed to apprehend him. One night he entered the Synagogue on California and Webster streets, where a police officer was detailed, waiting on the inside for him but fortunately for him, the officer happened to be in the other end of the building at the time and when hearing him move, he ran out of the building, pursued by the officer, who fired several shots at him but he escaped in the darkness.

After this, he stopped robbing churches because he thought they were all guarded. He then proceeded to rob stores, cleaning and dyeing works and tailor shops. His last job was at No. 1725 Sacramento street; one of the proprietors being a brother of Detective Emil Dutil and the property taken from this burglary was found in his room.

Some of the property stolen from the churches was sold in a furniture store, the seller giving the name of Henry Gilbert with a stated address. The investigation developed that a man of that name lived there several months before with a Filipino wife and a little boy. Further investigation developed the fact that the boy had a new coaster of which he was very proud. The problem then was to locate a Filipino boy with a new coaster. Detectives Thomas M. Hyland, Emil Dutil and James Gregson started on the trail and after about a week, the boy was seen at Octavia and Geary streets by Detectives Hyland and Dutil and on inquiry the boy denied that he had a father but later said that his father was in Vallejo. After some persuasion, the detectives finally convinced him that they were friends and the boy led

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The Movies and Our Chief

By EDGAR T. GLEESON, Well Known Newspaperman, Political and Sports Writer. Says Chief O'Brien Has Put San Francisco on the Map in Filmdom

Probably no other public official in the United States is held in higher esteem by members of the moving picture industry than Chief of Police Daniel O'Brien.

This springs from two causes. The Chief of Police is first of all, the head of a great city department; secondly, as is the case in this instance, he happens to have had an important part in welcoming visiting film companies to San Francisco and in assisting them in their work while here.

Within the past year this city has been used as the setting for a number of big successes. And you have the producers' word for it that when they came north to "shoot their scenes" they found a Chief of Police and a department ready and willing to co-operate at every turn.

If there is an authority on city life anywhere it is the police officer. O. Henry never felt that an excursion into Bagdad on the Hudson in search of material was complete unless he had exchanged a few impressions with the patrolman on the beat. It is the police officer, abroad by day and by night, who sees the human family at its best and at its worst. Who, but the policeman, knows the strange customs of a cosmopolitan people? Who knows every one of the ins and outs of the city they live in? Who has a better chance to pick up atmosphere—to study the changing aspects of that city—to peer into the romance of its past?

Perhaps that is the reason producers find the police department of a big city so necessary in the making of their pictures.

And it comes as a striking tribute when a San Franciscan drops in upon a Hollywood studio to have the members of a company inquire for Chief of Police O'Brien first, and the rest of the city afterwards.

San Francisco has passed no end of resolutions impressing upon the moving picture profession the peculiar advantages of the city as a producing center, but the real spokesman in this respect has been the head of its police department.

This isn't written as a ballyhoo for a corporation that wants to sell stock, or for the purpose of transforming the members of the "finest" into a flock of "shieks." It comes as a natural expression from some of those producers and actors, who have already enjoyed the help and support of the Chief in the making of pictures.

In the vanguard of these is Frank Lloyd, who directed Jackie Coogan, in "Oliver Twist," one of

the first ten successes of the past year, and who is now directing Norma Talmadge. Lloyd has followed "The Voice from the Minaret," a screen adaptation of Robert Hichens' story, with Miss Talmadge and Eugene O'Brien as the stars, with "Within the Law," the well known police drama. Miss Talmadge, Lew Cody and Aileen Percey have the leading roles in this production.

It is of interest that "Within the Law" was written by Bayard Vellier, former reporter on



Director Frank Lloyd Telling the Chief a Good One

The Bulletin. He is also the author of that other stage success, "The Thirteenth Chair."

Lloyd has known Chief O'Brien in his personal and professional character, and it would be hard to find a greater booster.

"You've got a Chief who is a wonder," said the director, on the Metro lot one day. "And when I come to San Francisco to finish this picture my first and most important business will be to see and talk over some of the episodes in the story with him."

Subsequently, Lloyd, Miss Talmadge, Lew Cody and other members of the Joseph M. Schenk company did visit San Francisco, the director's meeting with the Chief was carried out with profit to them both.

It is learned from a letter received recently from Harry Brand, of that company, that the Chief, as a noted after dinner speaker, scored again with his eloquence.

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Luck—Good and Bad

By VESTA KELLING, *University of California Graduate and the First White Girl Born in Nome, Alaska, Now An Oakland Newswriter, Writes Story of Far North for DOUGLAS 20*

Midnight of a dark blue night traveling on the snow-covered frozen sea—seven dogs jogging ahead with frost crusted in their fur and firm haunches trotting out the white miles—the moon casting its light on the lonely dog team.

"Like a d—— spot light," muttered the driver to himself, scowling up at the moon as he sat in the sled and urged on the huskies when they showed an occasional tendency to snap at each others' legs or slacken the gait.

"Blue," he muttered again, "cold and blue. Gee!



Vesta Kelling

but I hate it! I'd give a lot to see the hot sun on a California garden of red roses and yellow poppies, and the sun burnin' their smell into the air—My nose will be blue from the infernal cold."

The man was right, here it was blue; the cup of the heaven dark blue, the frozen ocean rolling into the shadows toward the horizon tinted by a blue white moon and relieved only by the sections which glittered like blue white diamonds in a jeweler's window.

"I'm on my way to a California rose garden," the man chuckled, "I'll cross this cussed ocean like it were frozen over for my benefit—hit Safety Roadhouse—mush into Nome and make enough money to take the first boat south in June—California in June!"

A patch of yellow appeared feebly ahead and grew and grew until the man, eager to be in out of the sharp penetrating cold which stung his eyes and numbed his body, hooted the dogs on and snapped his black snake at their heels until the team drew up at Safety Roadhouse.

Once the dogs were chewing on their salmon in the dog barn the man made himself comfortable before the red hot stove of the roadhouse. Its

one room was crowded, moist from melting snow, smelling of damp furs, sealskin mucklups, greasy foods and stale alcohol. It was dizzying from the close atmosphere.

Flannel shirted men were lying in the bunks which lined the walls, talking and spitting tobacco juice incautiously. A phonograph scratched out in a man's vaudeville voice, Kipling's old song of the South Seas,

I've taken my fun where I've found it
I've had my pickin' of sweethearts—"

I've roughed an' I've ranged in my time

The heat comforted the man—only forty he thought—his brown eyes followed the smoke of his pipe. His black hair had a tendency to curl, even the heavy unkempt beard. He was plainly Italian a few generations back but now he looked like a good American working man and spoke the English language badly in the American frontier way.

"If only I could have stayed in California," he thought. "D—— her, but for her I would never have seen this hellish country."

"Hello, Pete Raffeto."

A tall man crawled out of one of the bunks in the shadows and came over to the stove hitching up his belt. Pete saw the St. Michaels government marshal and stared.

"Didn't know you were goin' to Nome, too, Nelson."

"I see you didnt' or you'd of picked another time." Nelson slouched heavily into a chair by the stove and eyed Pete with an official air fortified by a star on his suspender. He leaned over slowly, his grey eyes approaching Pete's vision.

"Truth of it is I'm not goin' to Nome. I was only bound for Saffety Roadhouse, and you're goin' back with me in the morning: You low down squaw man, do you think the town had any intention of favorin' you special when it made a law against men leaving without their lawful wedded squaws! D'ye think St. Michaels an' the Mission want to support any more half-breed brats?"

Without a word Pete gave the representative of the law a long look full of hate, arose and turned off the phonograph and without returning to the stove climbed into his bunk.

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Pete's squaw, Tatook, crooned to her baby at the side of the stove in her one room cabin—the stove pipe rattled and banged in the storm out-

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San Francisco In The Early 70's

By OFFICER PETER FANNING, *Finger Print Operator in Our Department Who Writes First of a Series of Interesting Articles On This City of Other Years*



Peter Fanning

seventies.

At that time, while the standard of the Department was very high, there was a very limited number of officers to preserve law and order, over a widely scattered population, and the conditions of our city were such as made it possible for a large number of crimes, and places of crimes to exist, which have no place in our city today.

In particular we may refer to the notorious, almost famous and widely known "Barbary Coast," which in the early seventies flourished in its full vigor. There with noisy invitation to the public, could be found Hudson's Corner, The Racine House, The Rock House, Hell's Kitchen, and numerous others of like character. Chair sleepers always had a hurried inventory taken of their personal effects.

Perhaps the most notorious of all the places which flourished on the Barbary Coast, at this time, a regular hangout for the rounders and thieves and those of the underworld generally, was the "Bull Run Saloon" or Hell's Kitchen and Dancehall, operated by Ned Allen, called Bull Run Allen, located at Pacific and Bull Run Alley. This place had no equal. Because of its character, it was always well patronized by the rounders and garotters of the day, who spent their leisure time there listening to the strains of the orchestra which was always out of tune and which attracted, as well, many passers by.

One of the features of Allen's place was a number of dancing girls commonly known as "The Galloping Cow," "The Roaring Gimlet," "The Dancing Heifer," "The Big Sun Flower," "The Waddling Duck," who could sing in four keys at one time—hog killing had nothing on her voice.

The director of music and master of ceremonies was "One Year Tim." Allen always wore, as a shirt stud, a diamond cluster, the size of a quarter. Allen met his fate in much the same manner as

It may prove interesting and instructive to a great many members of the Department, whose experiences have been confined, perhaps, to recent years, to learn of some of the very interesting places and events which engaged the attention of the Department in the early

many of his kind. One night, when a large gathering of sailors were fast losing their senses in his place from the effects of the heated atmosphere and an abundance of bad whiskey, a row started and Allen seized an ivory tusk and started to clear out the house. In the mixup that followed Allen received a knife wound, which caused his death. His assailant, Bartlett Freel, was arrested, tried and convicted of the murder. In commenting upon his plea of self defense the Judge said: "I think it is likely that the testimony is true—that Allen made an assault on you with a club, but you provoked him to it by your conduct when you refused to move out when told two or three times to leave the place with the others. Even on your own testimony, there was no necessity of killing him when you could have gone away and left him. True, the community suffered little by his loss, but you didn't kill him to rid the world of a bad man, but from malice." Freel was sentenced to the Penitentiary.

One of the most notorious characters of this period was John Devine, commonly known as "Chicken Devine." This man left behind him a record which has no parallel in the brief, but terrible criminal history of that time. Devine was a runner for sailor boarding houses and received the name of "Chicken" in a row which arose in a sailors' boarding house on the waterfront one night. In a discussion regarding the merits of a prizefighter named Pete McGuire, was was regarded as a top-notch, the boarding house master said, "I have a chicken who can whip him." There was a group of sailors singing "Johnnie's gone to Hilo" when a row started. In the mixup the "Chicken" got his arm caught in the jamb of the door, when a runner named Billie Maitland, grabbed a knife and cut the Chicken's hand off. The Chicken was a game man and picked up his hand and ran into a drugstore at Drumm and Pacific and asked the drug store man to "put this together." The windup of Devine was that he enticed a young German, named August Kemp, over to South San Francisco and killed him for a paltry sum, where the big rocks lay on the hill to the left of San Bruno Road, as you leave Wilde street, going south. He was arrested and hung in the County Jail on Broadway, for this crime. He died as coolly as if he was going to breakfast and not to eternity.

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"FORCE TOO SMALL"—SIR BASIL THOMSON

When Sir Basil Thomson, the former Chief of Scotland Yard, recently visited San Francisco, after having visited practically every Police Department of the large cities of the United States, he expressed himself as being most impressed with the competency, discipline and especially esprit de corps of the San Francisco Police Department under the direction of Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien, who this day received the following letter from Sir Basil, who is now in New York after visiting Mexico City:

"Dear Mr. O'Brien:

The excellent photograph taken in your office reached me here today. Very many thanks.

I enjoyed my visit to San Francisco immensely. I could not help sympathizing with you upon the task of keeping order with what we should think in England far too small a force for the job.

If you ever come to England I hope you will not fail to let me know.

With kindest regards,

BASIL THOMSON."

WHAT CITIZENS THINK OF OUR POLICE

The following letter is only one of many received by Chief O'Brien each week, setting forth the ever watchfulness of our police department. Since the commissioners, the Chief and captains have banded together to devote as much time to preventing crime as apprehending criminals after crime has been committed, the people of the city have come to understand the ever presence of officers patrolling our streets at all hours of the night in fast automobiles and carrying loaded shot guns. While some of them have experienced a little scare at being stopped in front of their own home, it is refreshing to know that they soon grasp the value of the protection offered them by the vigilance of the men who go about looking after their welfare.

This letter indicates just how the law abiding citizen regards the efficiency of the members of our department:

FRANKLYN M. O'BRIEN
Attorney & Counsellor at Law
Merchants Exchange Bldg.

February 21st, 1923.

Honorable Daniel J. O'Brien,
Chief of Police,
My dear Chief:—

I just want to take this occasion of commending the efficiency of the two police officers who operate in an automobile in the Westwood Park District, which after all, commends the entire San Francisco Police Force to be the best force in any city or county.

Last evening while a friend and myself were sitting in an automobile in front of my residence at 130 Eastwood Drive, an automobile drove up with two police officers, and asked if I lived there. I told them I did. They were not satisfied and asked me what the number was. I told them and they proceeded to put the flashlight on the door, where I told them the number was. Not seeing the number, one of the officers got out of the automobile and personally saw that the number was as I told them.

Such service as this is not only appreciated by me, but by each and every resident west of Twin Peaks. It is just this kind of service that is going to prevent many burglaries and holdups in that district, and I want to offer my thanks and congratulations to the officers in general.

Sincerely yours,
FRANKLYN M. O'BRIEN.

The following patrolmen were elevated to the rank of corporal at the meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners held Feb. 26: Joseph McEntee, Frank J. Trainor, Maurice W. Reardon and William Denser.



A page devoted to timely and interesting discussion of Traffic Laws and problems.

Readers of "Douglas 20" are requested to contribute.

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Names of contributors will not be published unless requested.

Communications will receive earliest attention.

Address communications, Captain Henry Gleeson, Safety Zone, Douglas 20, Police Department, San Francisco.

March 9th, 1923.

To the Editor
Douglas 20
Dear Sir:

I am a pedestrian and have a great deal of trouble in trying to cross the streets at the corners, by automobiles being parked within the pedestrian lanes painted on the street and also on the cross walks at corners where no lines are painted.

Will you kindly inform me through your paper whether there is a law prohibiting motorists from leaving their cars in these positions.

N. O. J. Walker.

Answer

Sections 19 and 81a of Ordinance 1857 of this city and county prohibit these annoying traffic law violations.

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March 12th, 1923.

To the Editor
Douglas 20
My dear Editor:

As I am driving an automobile in this city every day, I wish you would inform me through your paper the proper way to make a right hand turn, as I have heard this question come up very often, and many of us cannot agree.

The right hand turn is to be made only when you are moving with the traffic and at the time opposite traffic is stopped; this permits you to turn to the right freely and without interference.

Signal your intention; watch the pedestrians as you turn and move quickly but safely.

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March 12th, 1923.

To the Editor
Douglas 20
Dear Sir:

I drive around town all day and I notice a great

many drivers of automobiles, when pulling from the curb give different hand signals, or fail to give any signal at all.

Will you kindly publish the proper signal to make in such cases.

An Observing Motorist.

Answer

The failure of operators to properly signal when leaving a curb line causes many accidents.

No operator of a motor vehicle should leave the curb into the roadway without first indicating his intention by shoving out to the path of travel, the extended hand and arm at its full length horizontal and back of hand to the rear.

If you will call at the Traffic Bureau you can procure our traffic law book which will show you photos of all signals.

A machine with a right hand drive, the operator cannot give this signal without great difficulty and therefore should use great care in moving into the roadway.

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March 8th, 1923.

To the Editor
Douglas 20
Dear Sir:

I have just bought an automobile and have noticed drivers of machines, when making a left hand turn give different hand signals.

Would it be possible for you to inform me, through your columns what is the proper signal when making this turn.

Answer

On approaching the place or intersection, give warning of intention, by extending hand and arm full length horizontal, back of hand to rear if signaling from left side. If from right side, hand and arm from elbow pointed upward back of hand to rear.

Covering All The Beats

Lieutenant Frank Winters of the detective bureau at the Hall of Justice sat up and took notice the other day when a young couple strolled in and announced that their honeymoon had been marred by the fact that the groom had lost his wallet containing their entire capital—\$85.

"Can't you wire relatives?" asked Winters.

"I could wire my mother at Cleveland," said the bridegroom, "but I only have 20 cents."

"That'll never do," said Winters, and he went into the assembly room, passed around the hat and came back with a generous handful of silver.

"Here—this will be eating money and I will send the telegram for you," said Winters. "Can't have a perfectly good honeymoon all gloomed up that way."

The bride blushed and the bridegroom blushed.

"We'll sure never forget this and we'll pay you back, too."

Some hours later an answer to the appealing wire was received and with it a telegraphic money order.

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Officer Franklin K. Lane of the Central who is engineer, fireman and dispatcher on a high powered Chevrolet returned recently from a tour up to his ranch on Gin Flat in the northern part of the state. He says that the Chevrolet got him there, got him back, and safe and sound. He also remarks that for herding cattle he showed cowboys something they had never seen. Frank is arranging to take Officer Jim Ray, the sweet singing tenor, with him to give the natives of Gin Flat a musical treat the next trip up. Lieutenant Jack Casey says after you get off the highway going to Gin Flat they give you a dollar for every rod of straight road you can find. However, Frank says he is strong for Gin Flat and that some of these days he will load his forty years' belonging into the Chevrolet and settle down to be a regular farmer man.

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Chief Daniel J. O'Brien says the panhandler on the streets must go. We don't know of anyone who will get sore at this order. With charity organized in this city as it now is there is no reason for a worthy person in need to resort to street begging and the professional moocher has no place in the scheme of those who have a desire to help those who need help.

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Policeman "Dock" Flynn, the trouble shooter of the Central station says that while he has no Chevrolet he will make some of his fellow officers sick when he gets a new Buick.

Officer Marvin O. Dowell after 23 months spent on the Chinatown Squad under Sergeant J. J. Manion has been relieved of that strenuous work and reassigned to his old place in the detective bureau. He is paired with Otto Fredrickson. Marvin says he has been so long in Chinatown he can say "hello" and "goodbye" in Chinese, but he can't eat Chinese food without the aid of a fork or spoon.

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Detective E. R. Jones has been transferred to the auto detail under command of Sergeant Arthur McQuaide. Jones went to the detective bureau several weeks ago from the Bush district. Officer Howard Walsh, after being on sick leave for some time, has recovered sufficiently to resume work and is also detailed with the auto squad. Officer R. Rassmussen has been detailed to the detective bureau.

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Lieutenant Jack Casey has announced that the police department's share of the proceeds of their Winter League games will be turned over to charity.

It has been left to Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien to name the beneficiary which will most likely be the Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

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Detective Sergeants William Armstrong and Charles Maher and Detective James Hansen arrested Phil Ainsworth on a bad check charge a few days ago. Ainsworth is wanted for "slinging some bum paper" down in Los Angeles. He was taken back to that city last week.

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A nimble-fingered gent, giving the name of Frank LaRosa, was arrested this month by Policeman Louis Maier and Patrick Cronin after he had been accused by F. B. Winslow of taking Winslow's purse and \$40. When arrested the accused had a roll of \$440 on him in two wallets. The touch was made on Taylor street near Market and the two officers on the beat lost no time in cleaning up the "kick."

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Officer William "Snowball" Harrington of the Bush street station was around this week telling everybody that Officer J. W. Boyle had bought another bond.

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Thomas Shea, who was arrested last November by Detective Tom Conlon on a charge of robbery was sent over to the "big house" by Superior Judge Harlod Louderback two weeks ago.

Officer Jack Gleeson of the Bush district, who has become as familiar on Fillmore street as the brilliant lighting at the intersecting streets is a popular policeman with the merchants along his beat.

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Captain Harry O'Day of the Potrero district says one need not pine for Naples if he lives in San Francisco these days. Just take a ride out his way, get out and walk over the hills along the bay shore and see nature at its best. It's worth taking a peek at, we'll say as we have been out there during the past few days and it is some sight looking over the green hills and blue bay.

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Policeman Martin Porter of the Central district can spot a dope fiend with a shot of hop on his person quicker than any gent we know.

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Sergeant Patrick McGee of the business office, Sergeant Arthur McQuaide of the automobile detail, and Corporal Charles Ward of the property clerk's office, have been carrying on a contest as to who knows the most old songs. Charles Ward has dragged some popular songs from back in 1860, McGee declares he can sing the first verse and chorus of any song written in the past 35 years and McQuaide said while he could not remember that far back he could sing two verses of any popular song written in the past ten years. The following is a list of the songs that have been rehearsed between shifts by the trio: "Widow Dunn," "Pitcher of Beer," "Ships That Never Return," "The Picture Turned to the Wall," "Denny Grady's Hack," "The Tramp," "Tim Toolan," "Cruel Slavery Passed Away," "I Love You Best of All," "Haul the Woodpile Down," "Mary and John," "McGee's Back Yard," "Never Take the Horseshoe From the Door," "My Grandfather's Clock," "Gathering the Myrtle with Mary," "The Boston Burglar," "Two Little Girls in Blue," and "I'm Going to Get Married Next Sunday."

The songsters asked Lieutenant Fitzhenry to get into the old song contest but he said he never heard some of the songs as they were out of date when he was a boy, but he had it on the two sergeants and corporal for he knew the second verse of "The Star Spangled Banner."

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Patrolman John Galloway, for 40 years on the waterfront has been looking forward for years to a chance to go to sea and have a scrap. His chance came the other day when a German vessel sent the broadcast for help. When the mutineer saw Officer John coming aboard he quit and surrendered after holding the crew and captain of the ship in fear for days.

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Police Emblems

By LIEUTENANT ROBERT A. COULTER of Park Station

Few people are aware of the origin or purpose of the symbols used in the police department, for instance why the star or shield is worn on the left breast, instead of the right; why the full dress uniform calls for belts and gloves, or the origin of the service stripe.

For the purpose of enlightening the readers of Douglas 20 the following information is submitted trusting that it will prove of interest to all, especially to the members of our department:

The left side has ever been deemed the weakest part of the human body. This was known to primitive man in all periods of history. Weapons were thrown or carried in the right hand. In the left hand was carried, or on the arm was worn, a shield for protection. Indicating their service, ancient warriors had the Ruler's crown or other emblem hammered upon their shields. Mounted men, requiring one hand for their mount, the other for weapons, wore their shields in the form of a breast plate. Our star or shield, with its inscription, indicating the great service in which we are engaged, is worn upon the left breast following the custom of ages.

The custom of wearing a service stripe upon the sleeve had its origin with the Roman army during the days of the Roman Empire. When a warrior returned from a victorious campaign, he was given as an honorary discharge a copper band to be worn on the right wrist, inscribed with the name of the campaign through which he had been engaged. If he survived a second, or third or fourth or fifth, he was granted additional bands suitably engraved. The man was honored for the number of service bands he wore and thus has the custom been handed down in every service since.

The custom of wearing gloves when engaged in a serious or important duty, had its origin in the time when ancient soldiers wore gloves of chain mail for protection.

The belt had its origin in the girdle worn by all men in ancient times to keep their garments in order. A man not actively engaged wore his garments open or loose, but when prepared for duty they were secured by girdle or strings of leather and buckles. That was in the days when the button and button hole had not yet become a nuisance.

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FROM NEWSBOY TO JEWELER



Albert S. Samuels

"I can meet a self-made man in every block of San Francisco." The writer said these words fully confident that he was speaking the truth. A minute afterwards he asked Mr. Albert S. Samuels of the jewelry firm that bears his name, if San Francisco was not the city of self-made men, and the latter made answer — "tell the world it is, and, if they seem to doubt you, remind them of the fire of 1906." Mr. Samuels then briefly outlined his own rapid rise to his present status in the commercial life of the greatest city in the West, and the recital sounded like a fairy tale. He sold newspapers at Fifth and Powell Streets, little thinking that even in early manhood he would own as a branch store the famous Baldwin Jewelry Company which was then in the building now known as the Flood Building.

A four year apprenticeship, with a very strict master-workman, and long hours and no pay laid Mr. Samuel's foundation for a successful career as

a jeweler. The teacher was an old German watch-maker named Albert Kuhlmann. A ten-year term as a journeyman left Mr. Samuels with good experience and very little capital the foundation of the Samuels Jewelry Company of today started. To his faith in San Francisco and in his employees and to his personal interest in and attention to his business he attributes his success. Nearly all the employees are stockholders in the firm and all employees can become such after six months' employment and in addition are given paid-up life insurance policies by the firm. Mr. Samuels was the first tenant in the Lincoln Block—the site of the old Lincoln school from which he graduated—Mr. Samuels is a "south of Market" boy.

Mr. Samuels will not listen to people who talk of the chances that San Francisco offered before the fire. He says San Francisco is bristling with opportunities right now, for anyone who has the grit to grasp them. To prove his contenton he rattled off the names of a score or more men of his own age who have built up a substantial business in different lines in San Francisco, which, according to him, is the one outstanding city in the whole world that at the present moment is grown up though still in its infancy. The writer left Mr. Samuels fully imbued with the idea that he had done the right thing when he heeded those magic words: "Go West, Young Man."

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RICHARD SKAIN RETIRES

Completing a quarter of a century as a member of the San Francisco Police Department, during which time he was continuously assigned to the Central district, Richard G. Skain, at his request, received a pension from the Honorable Board of Police Commissioners March 5 and henceforth will, with his good wife, enjoy a life free from the hazards and rigors of police work.

Few men in the department leave it with a record equal to "Dick" Skain. A man of not the largest stature he did duty in the old Barbary Coast when it was a man's job to be able to get through the watch and report off, personally.

During his days on the "Coast" he participated in many big cases and was mixed up in many ar-



Officer Skain and One of His Prisoners

rests of notorious characters of the time.

In 1902 he arrested the well known Maggie Kelly, better known as "Cowboy Mag," the "queen" of Pacific street. She was charged with assault to commit murder, having had at 3 o'clock taken a shot on the sidewalk in front of her place, 570 Pacific street, at a man named J. Duff. Duff was struck by a bullet that narrowly missed Skain. The case was finally dismissed after Duff recovered.

In 1903 he arrested Jose Chuis and Don Rodriguez as he watched them rob a Broadway shoe store and try to escape with two sacks of shoes. They were marched to the city prison, charged with burglary and got 5 years across the bay. For this Skain was commended by his captain, Captain Burnett.

In 1905 while walking his beat on Pacific street, Skain saw John Dorker holding up a saloon at 539, and after letting the man take \$40 from the barkeeper he went in but Dorker got the drop on him and after a chase during which the robber snapped his gun several times Dick

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got his thumb under the trigger and after a desperate struggle overpowered the bandit. Captain Duke commended Skain for this act. The prisoner got ten years in Folsom.

In 1905 Dick saw a man running from a jewelry store at 964 Market street. He gave chase. The crowds were so thick the officer could not shoot but after a sprint of a block or two, captured his man and recovered all the money taken from the store, amounting to \$480. The prisoner, Stephen Rose, got five years at Folsom. Captain Gleeson commended the officer for his capture.

Along with the retirement of Skain the board also granted a pension to Patrolman Nicholas Powers of whom we will write in the April issue of Douglas 20.

SIR BASIL THOMSON DISCUSSES CRIME

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every criminal as well as every policeman knows from statistics and history that a certain percentage of crime goes unpunished. Therefore, he contends, that the criminal in committing an offense takes a gambling chance that should he be caught he may be counted in on that percentage of unpunished crime.

On the other hand, the policeman working on the case likewise has that percentage in mind and goes to work realizing that despite the effort he puts forth and the chances he takes may be all in vain.

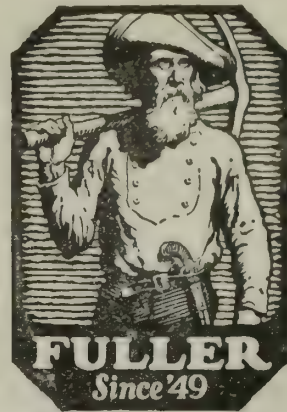
In England, Sir Basil points out, the law and the men who represent it are respected in the highest degree. The police carry no firearms, but woe to the criminal who takes advantage of this and raises his hand with deadly intent against a "bobby."

As a matter of fact, Sir Basil declares that the criminals themselves carry no firearms. Amazing as this seems to the average American policeman, Sir Basil avers that it is a simple matter when there is a rigid anti-gun law that is strictly enforced throughout the country.

"The man who sells a gun to an improper person gets as severe a punishment as the man who carries and uses it," says Sir Basil. "Therefore it is next to impossible to buy a gun. You in America will always have a desperate type of criminal until you have an inter-state anti-gun law similar to the one Captain Matheson has outlined. Take the guns away from the crook and he is not near as much trouble."

Some of the things Sir Basil has to tell leaves one with the impression that the British police don't have an awful lot to cope with. For one thing, the automobile bandit, in recent years a growing menace to the American public, is al-

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THE POLICEMAN AND THE PUBLIC

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ond to none, all things considered, in honor and in honesty. Similarly, a joke on the stage against the officer would always raise a laugh, but with the new spirit, there is cordial respect and deeper regard for the policeman and his daily task. Why? Because the men themselves have given such fine interpretation to their ideals that we now concede them a very high place in our affections. We are beginning to understand how much good they do, meeting the very poor and the unfortunate in their daily rounds. They give first hand aid without detailed investigations; they cement family quarrels without the aid of the lawyer and judge; they return runaway boys to the parents with more conviction than preachers' sermons; and they are daily bringing neighbors together who otherwise would go to costly law suits.

America is justly proud of her policemen and this is especially true of the San Francisco force, as far as my study leads me to know. Watch them on the street, a clean and fine looking body of men. Polite, even under provocation; well posted on local conditions; fearless in the presence of danger; and devoted to their city, why should we not rejoice and feel safe with such guardians of the peace?

THE CHURCH BURGLAR

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them to his home on Geary street, where the burglar was found with his wife. The stepfather coached the boy not to give any information to any person about him and the boy remembered the admonition very well.

The rooms occupied by them were filled with loot, aggregating about \$10,000.00 in value. Mrs. Gilbert gave up five checks on a local storage company, where they had stored a large quantity of the stolen loot in crates ready for shipment to Manila. Some of the sacred silver altar robes that were stolen were considered worthless and thrown as scrap into the garbage can and were never recovered. The minister of one of the churches had a laugh on Detective James Gregson because he called a baptismal bowl a loving cup.

Gilbert pleaded guilty and was sentenced to an indeterminate period of one to fifteen years. This case had a peculiar aspect from the police viewpoint because there were no sob sisters on the job after the arrest. A large part of the property taken represented many months' labor on part of the charitable women's organizations of the different churches. They made garments of every description for free distribution to the needy of the city and Gilbert had all of them crated for shipment. These church women realized the ne-

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THE MOVIES AND OUR CHIEF

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To quote:

The genial Chief used his powers of persuasion to advantage in furthering the good name of the police departments of the world during the recent visit of Norma Talmadge and her company of film celebrities completing the filming of the famous criminal play "Within the Law," for Joseph M. Schenck productions. This picture will be released through Associated First National pictures.

Through Miss Talmadge's director, Frank Lloyd, with whom the Chief has been close friends for years, it was made known that the script called for the showing of the third degree and other strenuous methods that were eliminated from modern police systems long ago. Such a showing would only be reviving methods long discarded and foment ill feeling toward the police. That was Chief O'Brien's argument.

After a thorough discussion, Mr. Lloyd agreed that it would be fair to leave out the objectionable scenes, and, furthermore, that it could be done without detracting from the interest of the story. So O'Brien's pleading prevailed and the prison scenes were "shot" in a way more typical of the more humane police methods of today.

Miss Talmadge, who portrays the role of Mary Turner, a role known to millions through the medium of stage and novel, headed a cast of twenty-two screen artists who came to San Francisco from Los Angeles to put the finishing touches to the screen version of "Within the Law." The filming was done at Dock 46.

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AUGUST VOLLMER,

BEATING THEM TO THE PUNCH

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gotten this money as wages for working for the Southern Pacific Company near Sacramento.

Then Hogan questioned Mrs. Hebling. Yes, her husband had worked for the Southern Pacific Company near Sacramento. Yes, he was going to get a job as a janitor. Yes, Hudekoff was a friend, a very good friend, who had often assisted them. Then Mrs. Hebling said that family finances were not always as rosy as they might be. In fact, she admitted that her husband was a poor provider. In fact, she admitted that she mostly replenished the family purse by making Russian laces and needlework, a trade she had learned in her native Siberia.

"How much money did your husband have on the night of the robbery?" asked Hogan.

"I gave him \$10 I had just received from the sale of a fancy bed spread, which he was going to give to the man who was going to get him his job," she replied.

"How much money did your husband bring from Sacramento," was the next question.

"Forty dollars," she replied but added in explanation, "it mostly went to pay his debts and for living expenses."

"Who are some of the other friends of your



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husband?" she was asked.

She named several.

"Did any of them visit your husband on the day of the robbery or the evening before," Hogan wanted to know.

"Yes," she replied, "Herman Malchow and Howard Millard, but I don't know where they live."

Hogan had lulled any suspicions she might have gained in his usual suave manner and sent her home cheerful. He told her that her husband would be sent home just as soon as the police got through with him but they wanted him to assist in clearing up the robbery.

When she was gone, Hogan again questioned Hebling. Yes, he knew Malchow and Millard, but only as casual acquaintances and did not know where either lived. Hogan then searched Hebling and found in one of his pockets a card that bore the address of Millard.

"Up in the can for you," said Hogan.

Then calling Brown and Hayes, Hogan said, "Here, go out and get Millard and Malchow. I don't know where Malchow lives, but get him."

That was enough; Hayes and Brown started.

They found Millard in bed and a revolver in his room. He was a surprised man when questioned about the robbery. No, he knew nothing about it. Never heard of it.

"How long hay you had this gun?" he was asked.

He told the officers.

"When did you have it out of this room last?" he was next asked.

He told the officers that he had not taken it out of the room for months but that a few days ago he had lent it to Hebling, who said he was going into the country and needed a gun. The gun was returned that evening by Malchow.

"Take us to Malchow's room," the officers commanded, without giving Millard an opportunity for excuse or evasive reply.

Malchow was in bed and denied all knowledge of the robbery. He said the gun had been given to him by Hebling who asked him to return it to Millard.

"Fine business," said the officers. "Come with us," and the pair were taken to Hogan's office.

Hogan placed Millard and Malchow in the inner office, in charge of Hayes and Brown.

"If either of these fellows opens his mouth before I give him permission, close it," Hogan told the two detectives and everyone in the room could see he meant what he said.

Then Hogan brought Hebling into the room.

"Do you know these two men?" Hebling was asked.

"Yes," he replied and he was whisked out before anyone could utter a word.

Outside Hogan turned on Hebling and said, "Now you see who we got in there. I just showed them to you so you could see we were not giving you any bull. My boy, we've got the dope on you and you know it. Best thing you can do is to come through clean. It will save us a lot of trouble and may make it easier for you."

Hebling squirmed like a rat in a trap. He tried to lie but soon got so tangled in his statements that his explanations began to thin out like the tail end stream from a molasses barrel.

"Now that you've lied enough," said Hogan, "suppose you give us a little of the truth.

Hebling's eyes shifted for a loophole. He showed that he felt cornered. Once or twice he stammered but coherent speech would not come. He cowered in his fright.

"Don't you think you better come through clean?" asked Hogan.

The words had a quieting effect. Hebling thought and then confessed.

He said that he had planned the robbery and had decoyed the victim. He said he had engaged Malchow and Oliver Poquette to do the actual robbery. He exonerated Millard from all blame, saying that all knew Millard was honest and all were afraid that if told Millard might divulge their plans. Then he told where the loot might be found.

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Millard was released and Poquette was sent for, and the officers went to get Hudekoff's money. All of it, but \$23, was recovered.

When Poquette was brought in he, Hebling and Malchow were booked for robbery and they are now in jail, having been held over to the Superior Court for trial.

When the officers finished it was five o'clock in the morning. Hogan, Brown and Hayes had cleaned up the case, had caught and arrested their men and had recovered their loot in seven hours.

Of course, this all sounds simple and you ask, "But where does old psychology come in?"

Well, I'll tell you. The psychology consists in knowing the working of the criminal's mind and in thinking just three jumps ahead of him. Incidentally much praise must be given for hard digging and plugging. The first suspicious circumstances was that Hebling was not molested by the holdup men. This gave the officers a thread to work on. Next came the questioning of Hebling and Hudekoff, but from their story little was gained.

So here is where Hogan set old psychology to work. He reasoned that Hebling, if he was guilty at all, was no good; and a man that was no good had many secrets which he would not tell even to his wife. It is a habit of the criminal mind to be secretive.

Naturally this led to the questioning of Mrs. Hebling and from her was obtained the important fact that Hebling never had \$95 and that he got \$10 from his wife.

But how to use this fact?

That's easy. It's the criminal mind again. One of the peculiarities of a criminal is that he loves the display of money, and with him the possession of money means the early association with some friends. Usually these friends are females but if just happened that in this case they were males.

Of course the next step is to get those friends. Then came the discovery of the card in Hebling's pocket. Here was the first important clew, as it pointed to Millard as the first close connection between Hebling and the actual robbers. He was the one boy, so far discovered, who was directly involved.

When the officers got to Millard's room they worked so quickly they did not give Millard's mind a chance to get set. They were always thinking three jumps ahead of him and so got what proved to be the truth.

Of course, it was obvious that Malchow must be known to Millard and before Millard could think of the consequences he was in Malchow's room. It just happened that Millard was innocent, but had he been guilty, the officers worked so quickly

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the chances are the results would have been the same, because Millard's mind was in the dark while the officers were working according to a plan.

When Millard and Malchow were brought into headquarters, foxy Emmett Hogan gave Hebling just enough of a glimpse of his two friends to set him guessing. A puzzled mind becomes frightened and a frightened mind clutches at the first straw that points to safety. So it seemed only natural to the mind of Hebling that safety lie in making the best of a bad job, which he did by confessing and so clearing up the mystery.

Maybe there is a fallacy in my reasoning, but I still believe in psychology for solving crime. Also I believe that criminal psychology consists in studying the workings of the criminal mind and then in thinking three jumps ahead of the criminal.

In other words, psychology means "Beat him to the punch."

A POLICEMAN'S SCRAP BOOK

Policemen's scrap-books make mighty good histories of police annals and it was with no little appreciation that the editors of "Douglas 20" accepted the loan several days ago of the large black thumb-worn scrap-book of Peter J. Whelan, who retired from the San Francisco Police Department in 1916, after 33 years of valiant service.

Needless to say, Whelan is very proud of this old scrap-book which recalls to his mind and re-



Peter J. Whelan

cords for his children, the experiences he passed through during his service in the days when things were tougher in many respects than they are now.

"I am proud of everything that book records—even the knocks and there are plenty of those," declared Whelan, when he graciously loaned the book. "I pasted in the knocks and boosts alike. It gives me a great deal of pleasure to look 'em over every once in a while."

Whelan was born in Nenagh, Tipperary county, Ireland, in 1853, and came to this country when a mere youth. He was appointed to the police department in May, 1883. Most of the years

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of his service were in the Harbor and Southern districts, and his scrap-book shows that he was considerable of an athlete, fleet of foot and able to take care of himself with his fists. It doesn't take a psycho-analyst to read between the lines and see that Whelan is that red-blooded type of Irishman, who refuses to be put down and never admits he's licked. As a result of his sturdy methods of holding his self respect, Whelan made many enemies as well as friends, and appeared officially before the police commission on more than one occasion, but the final fact of the matter is that Whelan was a member of the department for 33 years and when he retired on a pension, few failed to admit that the department was losing a brave specimen of the old rough and ready police officer.

Whelan's book is rich with interesting episodes of police duty too many to record but Whelan particularly distinguished himself during the car strike of 1907, which saw some of the most frightful riots in the history of the city before or since.

The particular occasion worth mention is the battle between non-union and union forces which occurred at Sutter and Sansome streets on September 3, 1907, in which two men were shot and killed, and a score of others, including several policemen, were injured, when the company attempted to run its cars with non-union crews. After the first clash, Whelan jumped to the front platform of the street car and with his revolver and his fists, held the mob at bay and enabled the crew to run the car out of the danger zone and back to the barns.

COMMISSIONER ANDREW MAHONY

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But in spite of his other activities, he finds time to do his work as a member of the police commission and do it well. He was first appointed on January 13, 1919. That he was re-appointed on November 10 of the same year and re-appointed again last January would appear to be proof positive that he is the right man for the right job.



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ment next winter will have a nine in the contest that will make a winning race from the start. Lieutenant Casey is to be commended for the interest he has taken in developing the team, for the time and energy he has expended to keep the boys up in the race, and he gets a great deal of credit for our start in city athletic contests, by the fact that at every game where the policemen played the crowd was larger than that of any other contest.



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SHOULD INSANITY PLEA BE ABOLISHED?

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large would be a danger to the peace and safety of the people. The committment can last only so long as the defendant is insane, and he has the right at any time under the law to have his sanity determined upon habeas corpus." (People ex rel Peabody v. Chandler 133 N. Y. S. App. Div. 159).

It is the law in New York that a person in order to be tried for crime must be sane at the time of trial, and in order to be acquitted of the crime must have been insane at the time he committed the criminal act, and in order to be restrained of his liberty in this state, must again become insane so soon after the trial that the judge will order his detention and trial for insanity before a jury selected for that purpose. Let it be noted, however, that we are not pausing to define the different degrees of insanity involved in this statement.

There is no inherent injustice in a system by which the state may assume jurisdiction over a person who has committed crime, and limit the liberty of that individual to whatever extent may be necessary to protect the public. This is done in the case of a sane defendant and is even more necessary in the case of an insane defendant.

There is, therefore, no inherent reason why insanity should be allowed as a defense save the unwillingness to punish the person who does not know and cannot understand that the act committed is wrong. Certainly it is not desirable to promise or to grant pardon in advance to any person sane or insane. If it is right to confine a well man for the protection of the public it certainly is permissible to confine a mentally sick man where he will receive such treatment as may restore him to mental health. This much is conceded and the law recognizes.

Assuming then that the so-called criminal insane, should at least be confined, or under supervision during such insanity, the question is as to whether or not apparent or real recovery should ipso facto operate as a complete and final discharge regardless of the dangers of relapse or the uncertainties of diagnosis. It may be conceded as a matter of abstract justice that liberty should follow recovery. The practical difficulty is in determining whether or not there has been a cure and the certainty that if there has been a cure there may be a relapse fatal to the life or property of some one else. The system of trial of insanity either for committment or release from an asylum by a jury is almost certain to result in error. And, as has been said, the chance of error is greatly increased where judges are confined to a statement of abstract propositions of law in instructing juries.

After an exhaustive examination of evidence in the Thaw case Judge Mills in 1909 declared that

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in his opinion Thaw was suffering from an incurable form of insanity (People v. Lamb, 118 N. Y. S. 389) and yet in 1915 Thaw was released from custody after numerous previous attempts to secure his release.

My proposal then is this: That insanity be no longer treated as a defense to a criminal charge, and that evidence on that subject be excluded from the jury trying a criminal case; that after conviction the defendant upon suggestion of insanity be examined by a board of alienists with a view to determining whether the defendant should be committed to the state hospital, or prison, or be released under probationary supervision to private hospital or to other custody; that the judge be empowered to make such supervisory orders from time to time upon the advice of competent alienists as may be necessary and that the state retain jurisdiction over the defendant even after an apparently complete cure for at least as long as the maximum term of imprisonment for the offense, resuming custody of the defendant during that period whenever symptoms of a relapse make further custody desirable for the protection of the public. If this seems chimerical it should be remembered that it is more lenient to the defendant than the present English system and that we are drifting more and more towards probation and parole of the criminal class, with a right to resume actual custody of the offender under sentence already imposed without further trial for new crimes and that eventually all habitual criminals will be under control of probation or parole officers and that the expense of our administration of justice will gradually shift from the police and sheriff's departments to the probation and parole departments where, no doubt, most of our peace officers will ultimately find employment. When all the criminal class are under supervision the officers of the state will be largely employed in watching them instead of watching houses and stores to prevent crime.

What shall be done with the insane in capital cases? I think that all would agree that a man who is really insane ought not to be executed. The law so declares now, but the degree of mental aberration which will prevent execution is not very clearly defined. It has recently been reported that a man was executed who had been apparently unconscious for weeks. No doubt it was believed he was shamming. A condemned man cannot escape the gallows on the ground of insanity unless he is incapable of understanding that he is being executed for wrong doing. The danger of shamming insanity under such circumstances is so great that he is likely to be executed anyway.

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The nearby public school had just let out, and a score of children flocked to the corner to meet "Charley the policeman," who daily convoyed them back and forth across the busy intersection.

Policeman King accordingly began to take the children across in relays of four or five at a time. Suddenly there was the shriek of a siren, the clang of a bell, and Truck 11 of the Fire Department, answering a fire alarm, thundered around the corner.

King quickly, with outspread arms, swept the little flock of school children he was escorting out of the path of danger and into the safety zone. His heroic action delayed him for an instant and before he could leap into the safety zone himself, the rear of the apparatus swung around and the protruding ladders struck him on the back of the head, throwing him several feet to the pavement, unconscious.

The school children screamed and cried in despair and stooped over the prostrate form of "Charley, the policeman." Pedestrians picked him up and a passing motorist took him to St. Luke's Hospital, where surgeons said his skull was fractured. They declared his condition critical.

King is 43 years old and has an excellent record of sixteen years in the Police Department. He lives at 394 Laidley street.

It was part of his daily duty to escort the school children over the busy thoroughfare and when school was out the first cry of the children was, "Hello, Charley."

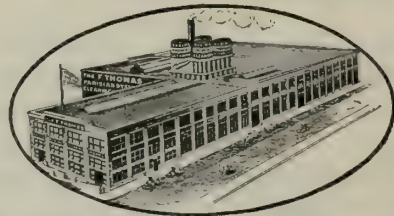
The wounded officer is recovering out at the San Francisco Hospital, to the joy of the school children.

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side, it was a sweeping, howling blizzard.

Pete sat on the other side of the stove smoking his pipe and rocking in a rickety chair, but he glared at Tatook and the baby. Pete had been a good husband to Tatook, except in moments of stress, but he had never been just the same after the black-eyed infant was born. Pete had pointed at the brown little baby and said to Tatook frowning, "Why, it's a papoose."

"Nice a beeg papoose," nodded Tatook smiling with plump brown cheeks. But Pete had consumed a lot of whiskey since then.

Pete began to sing, "I've taken my fun where I've found it, And now I must pay for my fun."

Somehow he didn't have the spirit of Kipling's song. He scowled and sang in a heavy voice, pausing to toss down a glass of whiskey.

Dogs barking above the wind—the door let in the wind driven snow and the shrieks of the storm, and tall Marshal Hans Nelson. Tatook lifted the coffee pot from the floor to the stove and nodded greetings. Pete remained seated.

"You're wanted in San Francisco. You're to wait in Nome for the first boat to the outside in June."

Fear fled over the face of Pete.

"You're wanted for murder — murder eight years ago," Nelson continued evenly.

Hate was in Pete's eye as he stumbled into his fur parka. Hard American curses came quietly from his mouth.

"Oh Tatook," called the big marshal, "a sled from the Mission is coming for you in the morning."

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The Hall of Justice in San Francisco emptied after the trial, carrying with it a dazed looking brown-eyed man. He wore heavy boots laced with raw hide cords.

The August sun beat down, San Francisco was crowded with automobiles, noises, pretty girls, newsboys, traffic whistles, cable cars clang-clang-ing, tall buildings, shop windows, cafes, flower stands, tobacco stores, and people—clean people, smiling, white people.

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ed clean shaven for the first time in years. In other shops near the wharfs he bought a clean serge suit, a pair of light shoes with shiny toes that never would have sustained life for a half hour in the snow; ate dinner at a restaurant in the Latin quarter, featuring red wine, thick chops and oily lettuce; and as a climax to his first free day "outside" sank luxuriously into a loge at a vaudeville show smoking a black cigar.

A fat tenor in a dress suit sang in a rollicking confidential voice,

"I've taken my fun where I've found it
I've roughed an' I've ranged in my time
I've had my pickin' of sweathearts—"

Pete chewed his cigar and glared at the tenor with disapproval. "Oh God!" he spit out disgustedly.

A man on the other side of the loge glanced curiously at the man talking to himself. Pete and Marshal Hans Nelson looked at each other across two velvet chairs.

Pete said cordially, "Oh! you out for the summer, Marshal?"

"Yes, I am."

"Things happen funny sometimes, don't y'think marshal?"

The officer of the law scowled.

"Sometimes people's hard luck turns out pretty swell, regardless of the intelligence of the law."

Pete laughed. "Intelligence of the law! The law kept me from goin' and then sent me out, and paid my way an' set me free—in California."

"Huh!" grunted the marshal returning his eyes to the stage and the tenor.

"Who can say what is good luck an' what is bad luck, eh?" Pete's eyes returned to the stage and his mouth to the cigar with studied ease. He listened to the tenor with increasing appreciation and encored the song with hearty applause.

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cessity of dealing with a criminal of his type as the law demanded and did not interfere except to help his wife and children.

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SIR BASIL THOMSON DISCUSSES CRIME

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most unheard of in England. The reason is that there are so few automobiles in England, because of the expense to maintain one and because of the rigid traffic laws. There is no parking in London, hence, the man who maintains an automobile also must maintain a chauffeur to keep it moving. More than that, there is a tax equivalent to \$5 per horse power per year, and gasoline is approximately 75 cents a gallon. Thus is the automobile bandit dispensed with, leaving the most prevalent crimes in England housebreaking, shopbreaking, in other words, burglary and thievery.

Just give that a moment's thought and compare it with conditions in the United States. If all the San Francisco police, for instance, had to worry about was burglary, shoplifting and common thievery, it would be a cinch. Add to that our automobile bandit, for one thing, and crimes that grow out of bootlegging activities, as well as the difficulties that the police face in the extradition of criminals from one state to another. You realize that our police have a tougher proposition.

Someone mentioned Sherlock Holmes, the famous fiction detective, during the interview and Sir Basil laughed scornfully.

"If Sherlock Holmes were a reality he could not get a job in Scotland Yard and I doubt if any American Police Department would have him. Sherlock Holmes always conveniently had the clues and the evidence right within reach. He never had to go out and get it. In all my experience. I have never encountered a crime of any moment that I could imagine Sherlock Holmes solving. It's organization that counts in police work. One thing must dovetail into another. The work must be relayed from man to man and then all put together again like a puzzle. That abolishes the Sherlock Holmes' without delay."

Sir Basil Thomson expresses as his belief that the most certain way to reduce crime is to punish all crime. The punishment need not be too severe but sure. It must be so that a criminal will come to realize that if he commits a certain offense and is caught, he is certain to receive a certain punishment and nothing will save him. This, he declares, works better than the more severe punishments that a criminal might receive. In a word, it means that if a criminal knows that if he is arrested for a certain offense he might get 20 years imprisonment but stands as good a chance of going free, he is more inclined to take a chance than if he knows well that he is bound to get 5 years imprisonment and there is nothing to save him, that the law is enforced and punishment meted out surely and definitely.



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qualifying for membership in that department. I believe it would be an excellent idea to have a school established for each police department where the officers serving their probationary period during an hour or two each day may be given competent instructions by one versed in criminal law as to the proper interpretation and construction of the various criminal statutes. In this school of instructions he may also be taught the rules of evidence which pertain to the proper prosecution of criminal cases. I believe it can be safely stated that at the present time many criminal cases are lost by the lack of securing evidence which would be admissible in the case. Too often the police officer relies upon hearsay and doesn't awaken to the fact as to the weakness of his case until he attempts to introduce evidence which is purely hearsay or is objectionable upon some other ground laid down by the rules of evidence. In this School of Instructions he may also be shown the various forms which are used by the criminal courts and the police departments in the recording of cases and in the indexing of property to be used as evidence.

What has been said in the foregoing deals also with Police Women. Their duties in most cases call for a good working knowledge of our criminal statutes and ordinances.

I believe that the first six (6) months which members of police departments are generally upon their probation period should be devoted to those matters which are general and fundamental in their aspect. These I have already indicated and may be referred to as a knowledge of the law substantive and the law adjective insofar as said laws at least deal with criminal matters. This first six months should be used as a clearing house for police department material. By the papers which such members of the department may be required to submit from time to time during their course of instructions it could be readily ascertained with a considerable degree of certainty what particular branch of police duty he would be apt to specialize in. If he has shown an aptitude for police activity in fingerprinting he should receive further training during a period to be determined by the head of the department along that specific line. On the other hand, if the police probationer showed an aptitude for recognizing automobiles by their model or numbers he may successfully be given specific training under a competent officer in investigating lost or stolen automobiles. This specific training may be added to and would, of course, altogether depend upon the specific branches of the police service which demand specialized training.

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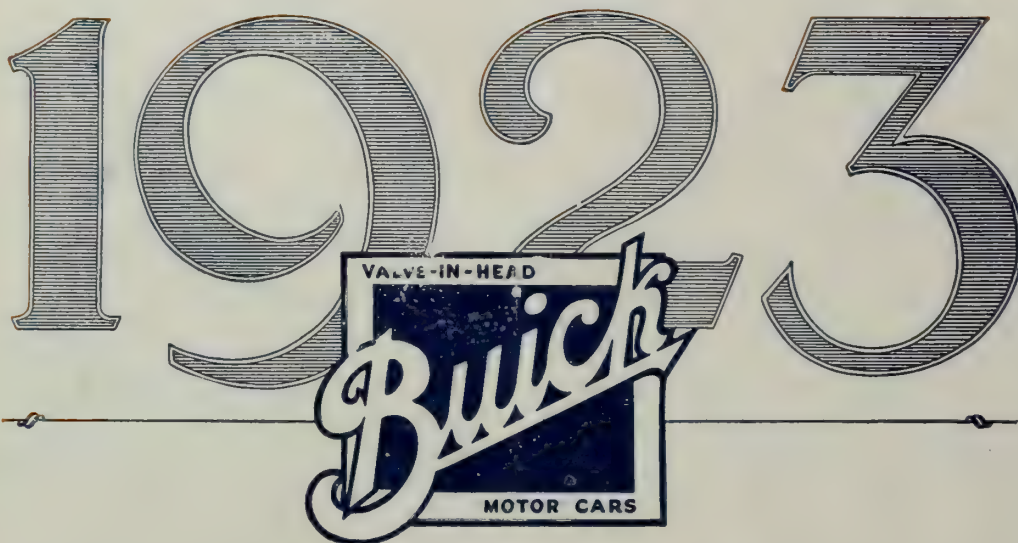
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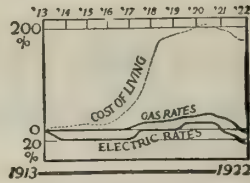
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Controlling Traffic From The Air

By CHARLES F. GALLAGHER, *Industrial Engineer, Who Suggests Airplanes as Aid to Police in Directing Automobiles on Crowded Streets*



Chas. F. Gallagher

A group of us were sitting at luncheon at the St. Francis after a meeting of the Traffic Committee, with the late Lieutenant Daniel Sylvester and genial Sergeant Frank Mahoney, of the Traffic Bureau, and we were discussing the trouble of regulating the traffic in San Francisco and

some of its problems.

Lieutenant Sylvester made the remark: "It would be all right if you could be on ten street corners at the same time, but a man can only see so far and the jam five blocks away will cause congestion at another point without the officer at that point knowing immediately what is the reason for it."

I kept the idea. Six months later it bore fruit. Out on the Marina with two Avro airplanes, tuning up, and three or four press photographers we started to try out our idea. With a roar and a rush up went the plane with the photographer waving as the plane went past. Rising in the air, it circled and went down over the down town district, dipping over the hilltops and circling around.

About 25 minutes later, back came the enthusiastic photographer, down came the plane, and with more than usual interest I rushed forward and asked him what kind of a flight he had and hoped that he had got some good traffic pictures. He turned to me with a blank look on his face and said, "For the first time in my life as a press photographer, I must confess I failed. I became

so interested in the flying that I forgot all about the photographs."

Our second attempt was unsuccessful, due to the inability of the photographer to get a clear drop without standing up, and this particular photographer was quite satisfied, if he never took another picture, to keep his seat in the plane.

Nothing daunted, the following day I borrowed a large army camera gun, which weighs about twenty pounds, and armed with this flew up and over the traffic arteries of the city. I had underestimated the wind resistance and when I got over Third and Market Streets and moved down my hand to the pilot to bank over and got the twenty pound camera over the side, the tremendous wind resistance practically tore me out of the plane, and almost plunged the camera from my hands. I could not get it back into the plane and if I let it drop, it would kill somebody, and if I did not let it drop, I was liable to go out with it myself. My arms were beginning to ache and beads of sweat stood out on my head, not knowing just what was going to happen next and it had to happen soon. Just then the plane tilted up again and I slid back under the belt with a tremendous sigh of relief.

We returned again to the Marina and still all the advance that I had made was that I still retained the idea.

Realizing the inadequacy of the heavy cameras, I obtained a fast lens Kodak and equipped it with a special sighting apparatus on the side of the camera, which permitted instantaneous photography with a straight view finder.

I then took a series of flights on consecutive

days, timing them so as to arrive at the same portion of the city at the same hour each day. The pilot by this time realized the needs of the situation, and upon holding out my hand would throw over the alerons and bank the machine at right angles to the ground and just before it slipped, I would snap the shutter, getting an uninterrupted view of the traffic below, and then the plane would be righted again, going on to the next location.

In this way, hundreds of views were taken of the different sections of the city, some slant views showing parallel streets for twenty blocks, with six blocks easily discernible with their flood of traffic.

graph, and, thinking I had finished, the pilot spun the plane around quickly with the nose down and I assure you in that brief moment I thought of how drowning men before they die have their past life come up before them—but in an airplane, if you come out all right, you pretty nearly have the sensation of dying and being resurrected again. Needless to say, I did no more photography without securely fastening my safety belt.

The advent of the radio telephone developed this idea. If a plane, equipped with a radio telephone, circled over the city of San Francisco at a sufficient height to always permit of gliding to the Marina in case of engine trouble, by virtue of a pair of binoculars, one observer could study the



Hotel and Retail District, San Francisco, From the Air

It was found from a study of the photographs that the motor traffic very quickly showed which streets needed repair, as in some cases detours of one or two blocks would be made to avoid bad streets and the flow of traffic would show this on the photographs. The parking of cars could be studied at leisure, with the aid of a magnifying glass, the entire congestion worked out, showing actual illustrations of areas or districts at certain hours and the location of parking spaces which were being used.

In taking these photographs I became very enthusiastic, so much so that when one day going over Market Street, I neglected to use the safety belt and stood up over the side to take a photo-

congestion, advise and report about parades or of blocks in traffic on congested occasions, ring into the Chief's department, who could ring out to the box phone at the point desiring to be handled, or the reverse would apply, namely: A parade is coming up Market Street—5 blocks up the street a street car breaks down or an automobile jam occurs. The officer puts in a call to the main office and the main office radiophones the plane, which could immediately advise the length of time it would take for the parade to reach that point. This information being communicated would enable the matter to be handled on a time basis.

Perhaps, one may reason, this is a little far

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Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien

Biographical Sketch of Present Chief, Native San Franciscan Who Rose from the Ranks

Written by OPIE L. WARNER

Daniel J. O'Brien, whose likeness adorns the cover page of this issue of Douglas 20, is unquestionably the best known chief of police in the United States.

This is no idle boast, it is no mere boost, but a fact. It is borne out by facts too numerous to mention, but particularly was it emphasized during the convention of the International Chief of Police Association in annual meeting in this city last summer. Chiefs of Police from every large city on this continent gathered here, and everyone of them saluted the chief, not by the name of his office, but as "Dan." This is a tribute that any man can be proud of, for men do not get so familiar unless they know the one to whom they address such a salutation.

One wonders why this universal friendship among men of his profession. It is easy to decide when one knows the policies that Chief O'Brien has followed from the day he became a policeman back in 1908, and which policies landed him in the highest office of the department in December, 1922. Those policies have been strict attention to duty, honesty, co-operation, study and kindness.

Dan O'Brien has never lost sight of the fact that he is a servant of the people of San Francisco. He has never lost sight of the fact that it does not pay to be dishonest.

He has never lost sight of the fact that by co-operation only can the highest type of efficiency be obtained, and that study is necessary to broaden the mind and meet new problems that arise continually in police work. Everyone knows he is kind but firm. His ready smile is known throughout the United States, and his kindness toward those unfortunate enough to come within the toils of the law are many.

Chief O'Brien came into the police department December 30, 1908, and was given star 808. Prior to that he was superintendent and engineer of the Buckley building, a position he obtained by hard work and study, for at a tender age he was forced to make his way in life, and was denied the education the average youth obtains. But by attending night schools and taking correspondence courses he fitted himself in a trade that would always provide him with a living.

He served in many districts of the city. In 1911 he was made a corporal, and two years later given charge of the "Chinatown Squad" and while

acting in that capacity put out of business organized and syndicated gambling. The writer knows the temptations that were offered him to ease up a bit, but these he brushed aside, and so successful was his administration in the oriental quarters that the late Chief D. A. White appointed him as head of the bureau of permits.

In August, 1914, he was made a sergeant and a few days later temporary lieutenant. In 1916 he was detailed as chief clerk to Chief White, and on December 1, 1922, made Chief of the San Francisco Police Department.

When he became chief he brought with him the experiences he obtained as a patrolman and non-commissioned officer, together with the experience in executive work he obtained as license bureau head and as chief clerk. In the latter position he worked out with Chief White many important changes in the work of the local force.

He recognized the fact that there must be a close understanding between every unit of the department, that there must be a spirit of co-operation on the part of every officer from Chief down.

Chief O'Brien believes that prevention of crime is as much the work of a police officer as catching a man after he has committed a criminal act. We point to the success of his men and ask any department in the country to match it.

We also claim for this department that during the past winter there has been less crime per capita than any city in the United States, and more crimes "cleaned up."

Sir Basil Thomson, head of Scotland Yard, who visited the Chief recently wrote that San Francisco stands out as the foremost city for clearing up its crimes and brings a higher percentage of criminals to justice than any city he knows of.

In the matter of co-operation Chief O'Brien does not confine this work to his department; he believes it should be extended throughout the land, and that every department in every city should co-operate with each other, and no police official, sheriff, constable or marshal ever had his letter asking for help of the San Francisco police department under Dan O'Brien thrown in the waste basket.

By his work at the 1921 convention, coupled with the high feeling the chiefs of the country had for him for services rendered in assisting in

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The Police and Public Celebrations

By GEORGE FILMER, General Chairman of the Shrine Committee Handling the 1922 Convention in This City.
Praises Department for Assistance Given Organization.

The question frequently comes up in civic organizations as to whether or not big conventions are good for a city. My impression is that all conventions are good for cities.

As General Chairman of the San Francisco 1922 Shrine Committee for the Shrine Convention held in June, last year, I had an opportunity to observe some of the benefits.

From a civic standpoint the citizens of the City of San Francisco were thoroughly and unanimously for the convention. Every department of the Municipal Government gave the Shrine Convention Committee one hundred per cent co-operation.



George Filmer

Sectarian and political party differences were set aside and the entire citizenry worked for the success of the convention. This spirit of harmony, in itself, was of inestimable benefit to San Francisco.

The Citizens' Committee of the Shrine Convention inaugurated a campaign to improve the appearance of the city, advocating that owners paint their houses and automobiles and plant flowers in vacant lots and in every way possible beautify the city. The city government without urging repair-

ed and repaved many streets. This campaign was carried on a month or so before the convention and a considerable sum of money must have been expended as the bank clearings for May, 1922, increased over May, 1921, sixty-eight million dollars. From a financial standpoint it was also a great thing for the city because the bank clearings for the month of June, 1922, (the month of the convention) increased sixty-four million dollars over June of 1921, thus making a total increase of bank clearings over the months of May and June, 1921, of one hundred thirty-two million dollars. These are official figures received from the San Francisco Clearing House. The bank clearings did not increase entirely because the Shrine Convention was held in San Francisco but were certainly greatly stimulated by the convention and the spending of money by local people and those in attendance before and after the meeting.

It was my privilege to make a trip throughout the country a few months after the convention and in a number of different cities I found that the Police Department of San Francisco had made a great impression on the visitors who were here, by their courtesy and their willingness to give information. A number of people cited incidents where police officers had gone out of their way to assist. The success of the Shrine Convention was due in large measure to the splendid co-operation of the Police Department, not always in a purely police way, but in the personal attention all of the officers of the Police Department from Chief of Police down, not only during but before the convention. The departments of the city government in all instances showed every attention and courtesy to the visitors.

I know of instances where visitors to the convention, not particularly Shriners, but those who were attracted here and who participated of the hospitality, who were so well pleased that they elected to locate here permanently and a number of them bought homes for their families. The increase in bank clearings stimulated the circulation of money and while it entailed an enormous amount of work on many persons, still all were repaid by the material benefits attained and it is my belief that all would vote to have the convention come here again within a period of five years.

Traffic Signals

By RALPH W. WILEY, Chief Department of Electricity, One of Several Chiefs of City Government, Who
Invented Present System Used on Market Street



Ralph W. Wiley

The control of traffic is one of the most serious problems that the large city and small town is called upon to solve.

After making a special trip to most of the leading cities in the United States to study traffic conditions and traffic signals, the writer is of the opinion that there are very few cities in which the traffic problems are identical and that special study is required in each case; e. g., compare the traffic problems of Fifth Ave., New York; Michigan Ave., Chicago, and Market St., San Francisco.

Fifth Ave., New York, having no car lines, is confined to vehicular traffic only, and, in most cases, the cross streets intersect the avenue at ninety degrees, thereby eliminating the difficulties of traffic approaching from various angles. The signals consist of high bronze towers erected in the center of the avenue, five or six blocks apart, showing three different colored lights each way. A GREEN light is used for the STOP signal, a RED light is shown between changes of signals as a preliminary warning, and a YELLOW light for a GO signal.

As you will note they have not carried out the standard color scheme; that is, GREEN for GO, YELLOW for SLOW, and RED for STOP, as used in connection with all railroad and other traffic signaling and for that reason most signal engineers consider it a freak system and, therefore, not satisfactory.

Michigan Ave., Chicago, presents another somewhat different condition. Like Fifth Ave., it has no street car traffic, is very wide and, in general, has intersecting streets on one side only. Due to this condition, the traffic can be speeded up considerably as the amount of left-hand turning is materially less than on thoroughfares having cross streets.

Market St., San Francisco, present a somewhat different problem from any other city in the United States for three reasons, viz.:

First: The way the city is laid out. Market street being the main thoroughfare, a larger amount of vehicular traffic uses this street than if the downtown streets ran parallel and at right angles to each other.

Second: Four street-car tracks handle a large percentage of the street-car traffic.

Third: Two streets form an intersection at a point on the north side which in no case is directly opposite the right angle street south from Market St.

With these conditions in mind, it is obvious that towers with signal lights would be impossible to handle the traffic on Market St., and, therefore it is necessary to install a separate signal at each "Traffic Stop."

In designing the signal now in use on Market St., and which was manufactured in the Department of Electricity shop, the writer had two primary objects in view; viz.:

First: A signal that would satisfactorily handle the traffic and, second, that it be constructed in such a manner as to be reliable and to require the least amount of maintenance.

The signal is octagon in shape and is supported either on an ornamental bracket attached to a trolley pole, or directly on top of a four-inch pipe. The cover or hood is painted yellow and is designed so as to allow any or all four of the sides to be open to the traffic. Within the hood or cover is another eight-sided cylinder which oscillates back and forth forty-five degrees and which carries the transparent STOP and GO plates. Both plates are milk glass body with a red flashing for the STOP and green for the GO.

This cylinder is actuated by one solenoid, the operating current being 120-watts for one-third second. At each change of signal, or, in other words, each throw of the cylinder, one mechanical blow is struck on a ten-inch gong, which not only serves to attract attention of the traffic to the change of signal, but also gives a dash-pot action and tends to relieve the cylinder of undue jarring at the end of each oscillation.

Interposed between the cylinder and the outer cover or hood are the shutters. These shutters during the normal operation of the signal are locked behind the closed section of the hood, and are only used when the signal is to be closed at the end of the day's operation. This is accomplished by the operator pressing a button at the control station which actuates the shutter magnet in each signal and on the last throw of the signals, the cylinder carries the shutter with it, thereby closing all openings. The first operation of the signal after the shutters have been closed carries

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San Francisco

By GEORGE B. MONK

The writer fell in love with San Francisco when she was not beautiful, altogether unprepossessing, pitiful as to appearance—but what character, what personality!

Do you recall the days of 1906 when chaos gave way to determination, certainty of purpose? San Francisco *shall* be rebuilt, down-town, bigger and better than ever! Were you as strangely, as permanently impressed, as your guest, with the magnificence of



George B. Monk

spirit, the heroic spirit that could not suffer defeat, that did not know defeat? Fillmore Street in 1907! Can you ever forget it; the flimsy frame shacks, the life by day and by night—at night, glittering cafes—magnificently dressed women—gaity, revelry the whole night long—an unique combination of Broadway and a flourishing mining camp? The tear of sorrow and regret was dried. The great city, lying in ruins was gone, everything but the character—the spirit—that intangible *something* that makes some cities, as well as some men, supreme. In its place was come a heart and mind determination to build on the ashes a city, a metropolis, that would challenge the world. And by determination and herculean effort it has been done. Today she stands as the greatest example of crystalized energy and spirit the history of the world has to offer.

From the ashes and debris has arisen a city—the most modern in the world, every building the “last word” in construction and convenience. Emerging from a \$350,000,000 fire loss, San Francisco has not

only recovered but in spite of the war staged a world exposition superior to anything ever before attempted.

Today there is hardly a reminder of the fire, the 3.72 square miles that were destroyed are now rebuilt on a scale and in a manner undreamed of before the fire.

Within the last ten years enormous public improvements have been made, projects that would have taxed the ingenuity and finance of a city not convalescing from a death blow.

Consider these: our magnificent and world renowned civic center. Four imposing buildings grouped around a beautiful park. The City Hall which cost \$3,500,000 and today could not be duplicated for anything like that amount. It is a notable fact that it was built entirely within the appropriation and within the appointed time. The Exposition Auditorium cost \$2,000,000, built by the Panama Pacific Exposition Company on land furnished by the city and then presented to the people of San Francisco. The great Public Library costing \$1,000,000, built half by the city and half by a gift of Andrew Carnegie. The State of California Building was erected at a cost of \$1,350,000 on land donated by the city. Other municipal groups are planned for the unoccupied portions of the Center including a \$2,000,000 War Memorial to stand on the western side of Van Ness Avenue opposite the City Hall.

Consider the Hetch Hetchy project. This enormous water supply project is designed to ultimately furnish 400,000,000 gallons of pure mountain water daily to San Francisco and other cities in the metropolitan area, a sufficient supply for 4,000,000 people. This is a \$45,000,000 project for which bonds were voted by the people in 1910. Approximately \$25,000,000 has been spent to date. This project also includes the construction of a standard gauge railroad sixty-eight miles in length.

San Francisco undertook the first municipally owned street railway system in the United States for which bonds aggregating \$5,500,000 were voted. Today we have sixty-eight miles of track with all necessary rolling stock and buildings. A five-cent fare has been maintained and privately owned systems compelled to maintain the same fare, and the employees are among the best paid in America.

The Twin Peaks Tunnel, the longest municipal tunnel in the world, connects an important residential district to the down-town business district with rapid municipal transportation. It is two and a half miles in length, twenty-five feet wide and double-tracked.

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Should Insanity Defense Be Abolished?

By JUDGE CURTIS D. WILBUR, *Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of California*
Detailed Discussion of Subject

(Continued from March Issue)

The test is too severe. The present drift of things is away from capital punishment and certainly if capital punishment is to be abolished at all it should first be abolished with reference to those who are insane.

When impartial and skilled alienists express a doubt as to whether or not the diseased mind of the defendant was a factor in the defendant's crime, he should not be executed; but the fact is that the men we are hanging today are mainly of this type, at least such is my conclusion for a consideration of our appeals in capital cases.

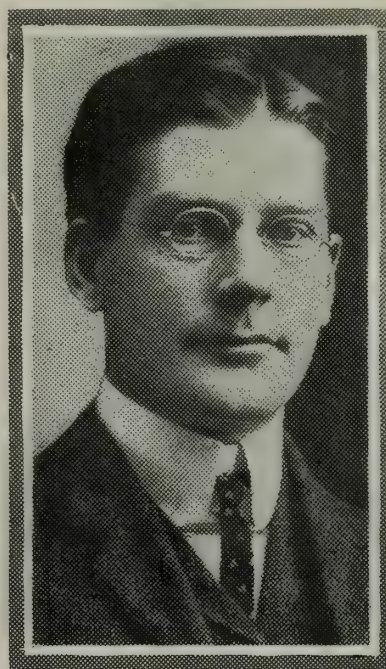
In this state a doubt as to sanity is resolved against a defendant. In England as I understand the decisions the defendant must establish his insanity beyond a reasonable doubt or to the satisfaction of a jury and in some of the states a reasonable doubt as to sanity is sufficient to require an acquittal. I would prefer and provide that the man sentenced to be executed be given the benefit of every reasonable doubt entertained by a board of expert alienists as to his sanity and that his proper custody be determined by the judge sitting with such board as in cases of commitments for insanity. If it appears that the defendant was insane, even though there was little doubt that the insanity was not connected with the crime, I should nevertheless advocate a commutation of sentence. If we are to continue capital punishment, plenty of sane men will need to be hanged before we begin to hang the insane.

We should base our system of jurisprudence upon truth, and execute it with justice, and a plan that puts a premium upon perjury and ignorance should be abolished. If we are to recognize the so-called "unwritten law" let it be done by pardon or by placing of such murderers upon probation as the community approves of and not by befuddling a jury by paid legal and medical experts employed for that purpose or by a hypocritical pretense of insanity.

I have not so far dealt with the form of legislation necessary to abolish the defense of insanity and to defer the proposed inquiry into the subject of insanity until after conviction. Something should be said on that subject.

In 1909 the legislature of the State of Washington passed a statute abolishing insanity as a defense. The statute (Sec. 2259 R & B Code Laws of 1909, p. 891 Sub. 7) provided that it was no defense to a person charged with crime that at the

time of its commission he was unable by reason of his insanity, idiocy or imbecility to comprehend the nature and quality of the act committed, or to understand that it was wrong. The act also provided in case of insanity for the commitment, after conviction of crime, to an asylum without a formal trial as to his insanity. It was held for reasons variously stated by the different justices that this legislation was violative of the constitutional guarantee of due process of law and of the right to a trial by jury. The Chief Justice rea-



Judge Curtis D. Wilbur

soned in part as follows: "If he was insane at the time to the extent that he could not comprehend the nature and quality of his act, in other words, if he had no will to control the physical act of his physical body—how can it in truth be said that the act was his act?" The court was divided in its conclusion as to the legislative power and the decision probably goes no further than to hold that a defendant in a criminal case must be permitted to show that he was mentally incapable of entertaining an intent to kill or to commit the crime charged, that is, that it was not his act.

In 1899 the legislature of North Carolina provided for the commitment to asylums of persons acquitted of criminal charges on the ground of insanity and in cases of capital crime provided that they were to be detained until discharged by an act of the legislature. This system although sub-

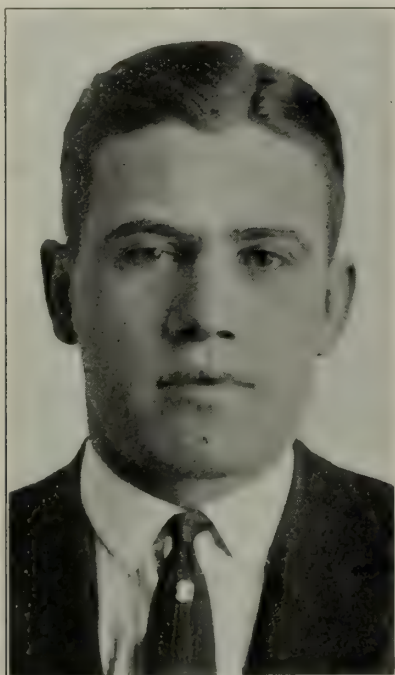
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Why Pickpockets Don't Build Homes Here

It Isn't That the Climate or Commercial Conditions Don't Suit Them, But Because of The Police "Bunco and Pickpocket Detail." By LESLIE C. GILLEN, Police Reporter for The San Francisco Chronicle.

The "great god Bunk," upon whose altar the "chump" and the "wise-guy" is sacrificed alike, still has numberless followers even to this modern day of sophistication.

Strange as it may seem, the dear public still falls for the rankest and crudest of the old bunco games. Yes, indeed. And to such an extent does the public allow itself to be done by the parasitic followers of the "great god Bunk," that every po-



Leslie C. Gillen

lice department in the United States is equipped with a "bunco detail."

Under the heading of "bunco and con men" comes that other type of parasite, the "dip" or pickpocket and these two dishonorable but sometimes lucrative professions are of such proximity that the police details maintained for their suppression are commonly known as the "bunco and pickpocket detail" and have time for little else.

In the San Francisco Department there are four seasoned detectives on the "bunco and pickpocket detail" proper. The detail consists of Detective Sergeant Thomas Hoertkorn and Detective Morris Harris, working together as one team, and Detectives Thomas Curtis and Edward Wis-kotchill, working together as another team. Many times this work is shared with Detective Sergeants Frank McConnell and Charles Gallavin, not to forget Thomas McInerney, the junior mem-

ber of the firm, who work out of Chief O'Brien's office.

Without attempting to pass the buck or assume the air of a braggard, it can honestly be said that San Francisco does not number among her evils, native bunco men or dips. We have none of our own. That is to say, there are no bunco men or pickpockets who call San Francisco their home and hang their derbys here for any length of time.

And that, in itself, is a blessing and for it San Francisco can thank the afore-mentioned sleuths whose untiring efforts have kept the city rid of the "mobs" as such criminals are commonly labeled. The "mobs" of "slickers" and "dips" and "moll-buzzers" and all the rest of the light-fingered clans, as a general rule steer clear of the city by the Golden Gate because they never get a chance to light long enough to make even "get-away money," so what's the use!

Every once in a while an eastern mug or some of the "good people" from the south drop in to see what's doing. Sometimes they stay within the city limits as long as 24 hours before Hoertkorn and Harris or some of the rest "vag" them and next morning the judge follows it up by giving them their choice of 60 minutes to be utilized in putting distance between themselves and the city, or six months to be utilized in keeping up the general sanitary conditions of the county jail.

They usually make an unpretentious exit with the parting word of "Gee! this sure is a tough town."

It isn't by virtue of luck that the bunco and pickpocket detail picks up these unwelcome ones. It is because they have concentrated on this particular line of work and have studied it for years. The greatest aid to the men on this detail is their ability to pick the faces of the dips. Dips of any standing have a monicker and a reputation of which they are extremely proud. Many of them who drift into San Francisco foolishly, either because they doubt that it really is such a "tough town," or because they are "smart Alecks" and expect to catch somebody napping, are total strangers to the detectives who recognize them on the streets and pick them up. But the detectives have studied the "mugs" of the "Alabama Kid," of the "Slippery Mikes" and the "Smooth Sams" in the local police rogue gallery. They know their descriptions, peculiarities and their records furnished by other police departments from previous

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Health; Morals; Sight Conservation

By CHARLES B. HOBRECHT, *First Vice-President California League for Conservation of Vision, Chairman Department of Education, Director San Francisco Academy of Optometry, Fellow of Optics The International Optical Association, Member of Scientific Section American Optometric Association, Member Eye-sight Conservation Council of America.*

Crime in Relation to Eye Defects.

The statement of Judge William Wadhams, of New York, relative to the connection between defective vision and crime, has been commented upon editorially by a number of leading newspapers in various parts of the country, but almost invariably these editorial writers have lost sight of the main phase of the subject, so understandingly presented by Judge Wadhams. As an example of failure to comprehend correctly the subject commented upon by Judge Wadhams, we quote from an editorial in the Kansas City Star:



Dr. Charles B. Hobrecht

"Judge Wadhams, of the New York court of general sessions, noticed that a large percentage of criminals who came before him had something wrong with their eyes, and so he announced publicly the other day that there is a strong affinity between eye trouble and crime and moral delinquency.

"If Judge Wadhams has been as observing out of the courtroom as in it, he would have noticed that a large percentage of all persons have something 'wrong with their eyes.' Many of the great and good people of the world, clergymen, scientists, missionaries, leaders in all lines, have some sort of eye trouble and wear glasses.

"To say that there is an affinity between crime and eye trouble is as foolish as to say that there is something normally wrong with the person who fails to stare you in the eyes all the time he is talking with you."

Judge Wadhams did not mean to infer that the criminals brought before him over a period of many years, and from whom his deductions were made, were criminals *because of the peculiar appearances of their eyes*, which is, in truth, in no way confined to criminals—nor that they were criminals because of defective eyes, but that they were deficient because certain defects of the eyes were not corrected in a way to preserve the owners' moral and physical stamina as were the eyes of "Many of the great and good people of the world, clergymen, scientists, missionaries, leaders in all lines, who have some sort of eye trouble and wear glasses."

Possibly "many of the great and good people" may have escaped being criminals because of this very conservation of physical energy to aid them in mental attainments and moral rectitude, while among the criminals, brought before the Judge, were doubtless many minds of unusual natural ability and educational attainments, gone wrong because of physical handicaps

and not least among these is the handicap of defective eyes.

The physical, mental and moral are so intimately interwoven that they form a trio of necessities for the highest attainments in life, and the mental and moral are largely dependent upon a perfect physical machine. When there is lost power through some defect of the machine, mentality and morality are correspondingly weakened. As one of our foremost writers has truthfully said: "The possibility of conserving human energy by correcting eye defects is greater than by any other means, on account of the sensitiveness and vast area of sight centers in the brain. A large amount of motive force is utilized in the function of vision even where it is performed under the easiest possible circumstances, but when there are defects in the eye and its appendages, there is still greater demand for nerve-force to bring about good vision."

Conservation of energy in the treatment of bodily ailments being important, the attainment by the relief of eyestrain is an exceedingly important factor in the care of all disorders of the nervous system, and crime is, in this sense, a disease. In many of these criminals with seemingly perfect vision the most destructive brain-strain exists, where neither the visual acuity nor the appearance of the eye has the least bearing.

Although without technical knowledge of the subject, the vital point was admirably grasped by the mind of this layman on the bench. His life's work has been to look for hidden causes of criminality in and behind the eyes in the cunning brains of these defectives. He observed that other people were wearing glasses in great number and learned that they were being worn in many cases *not* for better vision, but for the conservation of physical energy, and that eyestrain saps the resistant forces of the physical, which in turn weaken the moral and mental. He saw that rarely were glasses worn by any of those unfortunates brought before him, and knew that the very exigencies of their various illegitimate callings made this impossible, and in consequence, logically found here a prevalent cause for moral and mental degeneracy.

A Few Facts to Remember.

Eyestrain means nerve waste.

Nerve waste leads to nervous exhaustion which in turn is a predisposing factor in nearly every ill that flesh is heir to.

(To be Continued)

Tom Garwood Sells Out

By EVELYN WELLS, Talented Newspaper and Magazine Writer, Who Is a Favorite with Members of Police Department. She Tells of the End of One of Nation's Cleverest Crooks.

They've got Tom Garwood, but he went the way he wanted to go. The police brought him down with a shattered leg, he died with a bullet from his own gun in his heart.

"Keep sober and get the first shot!"

That was the motto of "Old Tom," as this king of the safe crackers and prince of a nation's underworld, was known from Lake Michigan to the



Evelyn Wells

Rio Grande, from Harlem to Santa Monica. He was a Napoleon of the old time peter system. He began back in the days when they were using black gunpowder. He cracked safes for a living for over thirty years. It was his only profession. None was better at his trade than Tom Garwood.

Old Tom was about fifty-five years old, and at the time of his death, on March 5th, in Santa Monica, there wasn't a cleverer crook in the profession. The police of every state had his thin, grinning, wise face Bertillioned on their brains. They had to remember him. They had to get him. But—thirty years had gone past since Old Tim first entered upon his work as artist of the box breakers.

Old Tom did everything with the sureness of a scientist. He entered the service of a certain well known safe manufacturing factory and worked there for a year. At the end of this time, and it was probably the only honest work he ever did, he was ready for business. He knew this brand of safe like a book.

A shipload of these safes was being sent to Australia. Tom shipped with the safes. It's never happened before in the history of the Box men. It probably will never happen again, that

a safe blower follows the cargo of safes he has helped to make. He found out the destiny of every one of those safes. Whether in store or factory or private home, he cracked them one by one. Hundreds of them.

Australia was terrorized. Tom cleaned up a fortune on that deal alone. There were richer men in his game, there were no smarter ones. He became an inventor, making many appliances that are used all over the world by safe crackers.

A wise man and a hard man. But, unlucky. He first came to the attention of the police in Colorado, when he did a three year jolt for robbery. Later, his wise grin was to be seen in the stone corridors of San Quentin, and, later still, in Folsom.

Old Tom chose his men carefully and worked them hard. Once he left an "outside man" outside a store. The man had some whiskey, he went to sleep. Old Tom came outside with the loot, saw his guard was asleep, shot him dead as he lay there, and left.

Once he was breaking open a safe in a general store, and found he had lost his powder. This in the days when they were still using black gunpowder. He had the hole drilled, everything was ready but the powder. Old Tom did some rapid thinking, then scouted around till he found the shotgun shells drawer, slit the shells, took out the powder, and—got away with the job.

At the time Tom was shot down he was using the acetylene torch. He never missed a trick when it came to new inventions.

His last big "stunt" was assisting Guido Spinola, alias "The Mouse," Adam Ward, and Herb Wilson, the millionaire bandit, in their escape from the county jail several months ago. He broke into twenty Los Angeles safes and many more San Francisco safes, in the six months previous to his death. Then, he died in a thousand dollar safe breaking job, died with his boots on, with a hard, wise grin on his face, just as he wanted to die.

Tom Garwood's death marks the end of the old time criminal, who broke through the law in a big way, and died game.

Officer Don Darling of the Southern station can tell moonshine from bum Scotch quicker than any man in his district.

Public Defender Office Justified

FRANK EGAN, *Former Policeman, First to Hold Such Office in This City Makes Good With a Bang. Has Given Legal Aid to Thousands.*

One of the most notable successes attained in public life by a former police officer is that of Frank Egan, public defender for San Francisco. Frank Egan was for years a member of the San Francisco Police Department, and was a good one. He devoted his spare time to the study of law and some six or seven years ago was admitted to practice. Since then he had made a great success in his new line of endeavor. When the legislature passed a bill providing for a public defender to look after the legal aid of the poor, Frank Egan was selected by Mayor Rolph for that office. So successful was his work during the few months before election he was elected almost unanimously last November.

He has two assistants and it will be but a short time before a third one will be appointed. The attorneys now assisting him are Michael Brown and Ramsey Moran.

We reprint the following from The Recorder, which tells in figures of the work this newest of public offices turns out under the direction of Frank Egan, former policeman.

For a number of years Los Angeles was the only city in California that could boast of a Public Defender. And Los Angeles had a right to boast of its Public Defender, because of his achievements in behalf of poor defendants. San Francisco now has a Public Defender and the evidence of the benefits derived from the office are shown conclusively in the report of Hon. Frank J. Egan, who has ably filled the office since October 17, 1921.

The report is one of achievement and of service rendered by a public official to defendants who are unable to employ counsel. It has been possible to present a number of innocent persons from being sent to prison, to secure mitigation of punishment or probation for others because of their youth and their having fallen into bad company; and it has been possible to have mental defectives sent to state hospitals rather than to prison.

During the period covered by the report Mr. Egan was compelled because of lack of assistance, to conduct all of the work of the office alone. Since July 1st, 1922, however, he has been ably assisted by Mr. Ramsey Moran of the San Francisco Bar, who is his deputy. From the Recorder, official court journal, the completed report of Public Defender Frank Egan to Mayor James Rolph, and the Board of Supervisors:

Cases handled 337
Cases closed 316

Cases pending on motion for probation.....	12
Cases dismissed saving the expense of trials....	48
Charge reduced from felony to misdemeanor saving the expense of trials.....	31
Cases taken over by private counsel after investigation by Public Defender and rejected on account of defendant's ability to employ counsel	56
Defendants entering pleas of guilty as charged	93
Trials in Superior Court	79



Frank Egan

Verdicts of not guilty	38
Verdicts of guilty of lesser offense.....	20
Verdict of guilty as charged.....	17
Jury disagreed	4
Juvenile Court hearings	2
Individual appearances in courts, including Superior Court, Juvenile and Police Courts, and Coroner's inquest	1278
Consultations with defendants in the county jail and in the city prison.....	978
Defendants committed to industrial schools....	6
Motions for new trial granted.....	4
Motion for new trial denied.....	1
Motions for probation granted	68
Motion for probation denied.....	17
Motions for suspended sentences granted.....	4
Dismissed in Police Court.....	17
Coroner's inquests	3
Persons calling for advice in the office (not included in the above).....	263
Telephone calls for advice, estimated.....	1250

Good and Bad—A Matter of Habit

By VESTA KELLING, *University of California Graduate and the First White Girl Born in Nome, Alaska, Now An Oakland Newswriter, Writes Story of Far North for DOUGLAS 20*

Would it destroy your belief in the design and purpose of earthly existence to realize that being good and being bad are to an alarming extent a matter of habit? In other words your goodness, or badness, depends partly upon the same powerful tendency which determines the amount of sugar you take in your coffee, or the number of cigarettes you use a day.

Human beings are like just what it is said we actually are, soft hunks of clay, sensitive to cold and heat, abuse, control, and change of all sort.



Vesta Kelling

And like hunks of clay any persistent pressure alters our characters.

Crimes are sometimes made possible by habits forming in people, most of whom in the first place lack self-control and will power. The enormous numbers of matrimonial murders which have attracted the attention of press and public are caused mostly by jealousy, and would not be possible without a background of years of flying into tempers. The Clara Phillips, and Obenchain cases are a few of numerous examples, the details of which are familiar to everyone.

If you have a bad temper it has been caused by getting into the habit of expressing temper continually after first enjoying the pleasure of casting caution to the winds and asserting yourself. Tempers result in many impulsive crimes. Woe to the romantic novelists who write of glorious heroes who, in the heat of madness, fight stripped to the waist and with bare fists. All very thrilling, especially when later depicted in the movies, and all very necessary at times, of course, but not to be encouraged and desired.

Why all of matrimonial crimes do you suppose, husbands murdering wives and wives murdering husbands? Because in the intimacy of the family circle many husbands and wives display their

tempers year in and year out at all domestic crises. When something really serious happens, calling forth jealousy, or the exposure of deceit, it is a short step from hot words and mental fury which have been carefully cultivated for years, to the knife, or the gun, or any handy weapon, even the barbaric hammer or the axe.

The old question of the relative importance of heredity and environment in forming character should not be considered. The fact is that both heredity and environment form a person, one perhaps dominating certain periods of the individual life more than the other, or one dominating certain individuals more than the other.

A man receiving from posterity an unusually strong character, normal and law-abiding, will persist in being good throughout the most adverse environment. A man receiving by heredity a decided tendency to weakness of will and viciousness will be bad in the most favorable of environment. We have Abraham Lincoln, and other classic American examples of men defeating terrific adversities and rising above them to fame and fortune. And yet we all know of families with erring sons and daughters who insist on "going to the dogs" in spite of correct home and social influences.

Some people are good in spite of everything. Some people are bad in spite of everything. It is the great mass of average men and women between these two extremes who are most susceptible to habit and needful of thoughtful self-control.

All of the people who commit crimes are not physical and mental misfits, many are simply careless persons who have formed bad habits in everyday conduct.

"Within the Law," recently filmed by Norma Talmadge and company and which is to be released soon was given its premier showing in this city at a private exhibition in the Royal Theatre on April 13. The producers of the new picture, appreciative of the favors Chief O'Brien had rendered in assisting the making of the picture and his suggestions to make it one that carries with it no reflection upon the police officers of this country made the exhibition one for the Chief. He invited the heads of all stations and departments as well as numerous friends, who all joined in saying the filmization of the story by a San Francisco boy is better than when seen on the stage.

San Francisco In The Early '70's

By OFFICER PETER FANNING, *Finger Print Operator in Our Department Who Writes Second of a Series of Interesting Articles On This City of Other Years*



Peter Fanning

No review or record of the crimes which attracted wide attention in the early '70's would be complete without the mention of the theft of Toby Rosenthal's famous painting "Elaine—The Dead Steered By the Dumb."

As is, no doubt, known to many, Toby Rosenthal was perhaps the greatest artist that California has ever produced, and a notable figure of world-wide importance in the time we are mentioning. While still a struggling artist, but showing unmistakable signs of genius, he received a commission from Mr. Tiburcio Parrott, of this city, to paint a subject from Tennyson's "Elaine." Rosenthal developed and enlarged upon the theme suggested by Mr. Parrott, and when completed, sold the painting to Mrs. R. C. Johnson of this city for the sum of \$3000.00.

On March 8, 1875, Mrs. Johnson brought the painting to San Francisco and exhibited it at the Art Gallery of Snow and May, on Kearny Street, near Geary. The fame of the picture and the knowledge of its author attracted thousands of visitors to the gallery, where it remained on exhibition for nearly a month.

On the morning of April 3, 1875, the word spread like wildfire throughout the community that "Elaine—The Dead Steered By the Dumb" went outward with the thief. The famous canvas had been cut out of its frame in the night by some thieves, and was apparently hopelessly lost.

Immediately the detectives were pressed into service. Numberless theories were advanced and each received consideration. Was it the work of a thief, desiring a large reward for the return of this famous canvas? Was it the work of an enemy desiring to ruin the owners of the gallery from whence it was stolen? Was it the deed of an art lover infatuated with the beautiful "Elaine" and her dumb pilot?

While these theories were under consideration, a stranger, whose name is not divulged, walked into the office of the Chief of Police, and informed him that on the night previous, while standing in the vicinity of the art gallery he had seen four suspicious looking characters in conversation and evidently surveying the building. He made a mental photograph of these men and one, in particular, he reported as having a large scar on his

face. Captain Lees immediately recognized "Cut-Faced Donohoe" from the description given, and also James Curren, alias Elmore, and Tommy Wallace, all of whom were well known to the police. With characteristic energy, Captain Lees immediately set to work and very shortly had located the rendezvous of the three men in a lodging house on Third Street. While searching the room of this house, Curran opened a door and Captain Lees immediately stepped into his room and demanded that he surrender the picture. Curran at once concluded that the police knew all about the matter, and admitted that the picture had been removed from the building just an hour before. At the same time other detectives had taken into custody "Cut-Face Donohoe", Wallace and James E. Allen, the latter being the man who really did the job and who cut the picture out of the frame. The officers were led to a little shack in the rear of a lot on Langton Street, near Folsom Street, and there, hidden in the bed clothing, rolled and sealed and marked "Custom House Official Maps," the much prized "Elaine" was found.

The history of the theft and the motive that led to it was simple enough. Allen and Curran forced their way into the gallery on the night before the picture was to be finally removed from the city, and tried to take it from the frame. Finding this impossible, Allen neatly cut the picture out of the frame and rolled it carefully and took it away with him. The whole job took less than fifteen minutes. The motive prompting the theft was the hope of a large reward with no questions asked. Curran and Allen were convicted after a trial, and both served terms in the penitentiary for the theft.

Another great sensation in this city, which attracted wide attention throughout the country, was the arrival of the notorious outlaw and bandit, Vasquez, whose daring exploits and cold-blooded crimes had made his name known and feared throughout the whole Pacific Coast. Vasquez's career began in 1854, and continued until his final arrest and imprisonment after the robbery and murder at Tres Pinos, Monterey County, in October of 1874.

Vasquez was a man of keen intelligence and a borne leader, and for years roamed almost at will over central and southern California, leading various bands of outlaws, engaged in robbery, horse stealing, stage holdups and murders, as a regular

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THE CHIEF AND HIS MEN

Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien's photograph graces the cover of this issue of Douglas 20. This is in line with the policy of the publishers of this magazine, wherein it was intended starting with the Mayor, president and members of the Police Commission from president and seniority to run pictures of the chief and then the captains of the department on the cover page.

Chief O'Brien stands out as one of the ablest chiefs of police in America. He brought into the office in 1922, when appointed, an understanding of the duties derived by experience, and he has imparted to his men the necessary essentials of this organization to protect life and property. He has instilled into them the necessity of preventing crime as well as apprehending the criminal; and he has inculcated into each man the doctrine of co-operation.

He has not ignored the public for whom he works, and he gives a hearing to each and everyone who has something to offer whereby the department can be improved. He extends to every citizen the right to make suggestions and he heeds them when worthy.

In every small town, or city, he is known for the co-operation he extends to peace officers, and one has but to read of what this department has done in the past thirty days to gather how far he carries this policy.

Among the catches his men have made for outside cities during the past month is the clearing up by the arrest of the man who robbed the Alexandria Hotel in Los Angeles, and the recovery of all the loot; of the arrest of a check passer who had put over more than 2000 bad checks on towns in this State; of the arrest of the gang of yeggs who blew the postoffice safe in Olympia, Washington, and the recovery of nearly all the property stolen.

Several arrests were made for Oakland, some for San Mateo and so on. For these reasons our department has become recognized as one that stands ready to assist and co-operate with any peace officer, whether he be chief of police, sheriff, constable or town marshal. They all get the same service on any request sent us.

This department is recognized for the crime it prevents, for the recovery of stolen automobiles, and the small amount of crime that has been visited upon us during the past twelve months.

All this is due to the co-operation the chief receives from his men, who carry out his suggestions and orders. We start with a splendid record for 1923 and hope to exceed the record made in 1922 in all branches of the department for efficient work in solving crime and the arrest of the criminals.

The Easter services on Mt. Davidson, the first held in this city at sunrise, was a success in every way. The policing of this great celebration was one of the features that won much commendation from the thousands who attended the services. Captain Eugene Wall of the Ingleside district had everything prepared for handling the crowds, and there was no disorder of any kind. Courteous officers directed traffic along the streets leading to Mt. Davidson and guided the throngs up the hillside to their destination without any confusion whatever. Officers James Mackey and Albert Birdsall, doing motorcycle duty, spotted a man and a woman acting suspiciously along Ocean avenue and they forgot for a few moments that they were traffic men and got busy with the result that they arrested the couple and found that the man had broken into and robbed a drug store.

The New World's War

Traffic Laws Versus Traffic Violators, By CAPTAIN HENRY GLEESON, Who Is Recognized as One of Foremost Authorities on Traffic Problems, and Who Says "They Will Pass" Unless People Heed Laws.

Our determination that "They Shall Not Pass" is threatened with defeat.

While police executives, engineers and traffic commission are fighting traffic conditions, to prevent the supremacy of motor vehicle congestion on our streets and highways, indifference and rebellion strike at their plans for victory.

Greater than this campaign against the strangling of commercial business and greater than the plans for opening of the bottle necks of our highways, is the campaign of Traffic Laws against Traffic Law Violators.

There is something very wrong and unexplainable in the attitude of motor vehicle operators and pedestrians toward traffic laws and regulations.

Traffic laws have been created, at the demand of the people for protection against the motor evils that threaten, not only their personal safety but their peaceful conduct of business or pleasure. In spite of this there is no set of laws more consistently violated through recklessness, carelessness or ignorance.

After observation and study I believe that fully 50 per cent of the motor operators wilfully violate traffic laws at their will and pleasure, in disregard of the rights of other drivers or pedestrians.

These operators (having in mind only their own wills and pleasures) daily exercise their independence of mind at every opportunity in the violation of these laws and it is this class of citizens that is responsible for many of the problems connected with traffic enforcement.

If this is to continue in spite of the efforts of the Police Department to educate the people by tolerance, sympathy and publicity, then the day is not far distant when new methods of enforcement will be required to cope with the demands of our people for their personal and business safety.

All citizens, whether motor operators or pedestrians, are demanding through the public press and business organizations intelligent supervision and control of traffic. They demand also relief from street congestion forgetting that respect and obedience to the existing law must first be given.

We have more than enough traffic laws to guard the public's safety and insure their comfort, if a proper spirit of co-operation existed. Public co-operation will greatly lessen traffic violations.

Of the 75,000 registered motor vehicles from San Francisco, it is safe to say that 50,000 are op-

erated daily throughout the many different sections of our city.

The habits and practices of the operators of these vehicles may be classed as follows:

Speeders	10%	5,000
Reckless or incompetent drivers.....	20%	10,000
Violators of safety traffic laws other than speeding or reckless ness	40%	20,000
Law abiding	30%	15,000



Captain Henry Gleeson

It is a popular remark "Something must be done about this traffic problem" and many of those who state the problem do so as they hold a tag in their hands. They excuse their own violation of a traffic law by saying, "But I am no speeder nor anything like that."

Police officials find it very hard to understand the viewpoint of an otherwise good citizen, "who does not speed or drive recklessly," but who does not hesitate to obstruct fire hydrants at night in the dangerous theatre and hotel districts; drive through safety zones; pass standing street cars; obstruct pedestrian pathways; fail to yield right of way or infringe some other traffic laws.

Speeders boast of their carefulness and judgment when dashing at 40 or 50 miles an hour and

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Covering All The Beats

One of the exceptional acts of bravery for which the San Francisco Police Department is famous for was enacted just before this issue of Douglas 20 went to press, April 12. In this instance a traffic officer, J. J. Mahoney, stationed at Fourth and Market Streets, is the hero. Supposed to be just a man trained to handle the vast stream of traffic at this important corner, Mahoney showed thousands of people that a San Francisco policeman does everything that a brave officer should. When he heard a pistol shot from a nearby building in the late afternoon, he did not stop for anything but rushed toward the store from which the sound came. He rushed in the door of the San Francisco Jewelry Co. in the Phelan building, and was confronted by one Antone Smith, with a smoking automatic pointed at the officer. Mahoney grabbed the weapon and to save his life smashed the bandit in the jaw and rendered him unconscious.

Leaving the robber handcuffed on the floor Mahoney proceeded to investigate and found Ernest Engdahl, 33, clerk, dead on the floor, and arrangements made by the bandit to take away thousands of dollars' worth of valuables.

Mahoney, who has a wife and four children, has received praise from every police official and thousands of citizens for his brave deed. He is in line for meritorious service and a substantial reward for his bravery.

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There is no more respected police officer in the Golden Gate Valley district than Officer James Barry. The merchants in that district look on him as an ideal police officer. It is rumored that when the million dollar theatre is built on Union Street the people of the district will ask Chief O'Brien to detail Officer Barry in the vicinity of the new theatre for the protection of the youngsters of the valley.

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"Patsy," the big black horse ridden by Sergeant J. J. Casey of the mounted traffic detail through the retail district of the city, has been pensioned. Thirty years of age and for 20 years assisting various mounted officers to keep the traffic right, and the mount for Sergeant Casey for six years, the old horse so well known to thousands of people in all lines of business has been given an easy berth out in Golden Gate Park where he will spend the remainder of his days. Sergeant Casey now has a new horse to ride but old in the business and experienced who has been brought from the park detail downtown.

An eleventh hour effort to stop the appointing of three new lieutenants April 13 was set aside by Superior Court Judge Walter Perry Johnson at a hearing on an injunction to prevent the Police Commissioners from raising Sergeant Edward Cullinan, William Lambert and Joseph Mignola.

After the court had dismissed the injunction following a hearing the Commission convened and appointed the three men certified by the civil service commission. The list on which the three men had been at the head would have expired April 15.

The commission also provided for three new companies. The Traffic Bureau is to be a company headed by Captain Henry Gleeson, and will be known as Company K. The Detective Bureau will be an independent company known as the Detective Bureau and Captain Matheson will head this organization. The Headquarters Company, made up of men in the department at headquarters, was the third company formed, and it is commanded by Captain William Quinn.

The new lieutenants will be assigned before the next issue of this magazine.

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"Spot," the foxterrier that was for years the best watchman of the Christensen Lumber Co., 1950 Third street, is dead. His passing was appropriately observed by the employes of the lumber company and a proper burial provided. But Spot will be missed more by Policeman Harry J. Schwind than anyone else for during the recent strike Spot was taught by Schwind to tip him off to gun toters. Spot would set up a continual string of barks when he saw a gent with any artillery sagging down his hip pockets and when the officer would show up would run at the object of his excitement. When the strike was over and there were no more guys carrying rods, Spot proved invaluable by tipping off the dealers in bootleg, as he could not distinguish between a gun sag and a bottle sag, and Schwind ran up a good score in bootleggers arrested. Can you blame Harry for missing the little dog?

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Detective Sergeants William Armstrong and Charles Maher and Detective James Hansen landed a muchly-wanted gent this month when they turned the locks on James Riley. Riley is wanted in most cities of the State, it being said he has passed over 2000 bad checks and stolen five automobiles. Los Angeles police say he is the man wanted for the robbery of the Diamond Laundry on March 22.

Chew Your Food and Retain Your Health

Five Minutes Extra Time at the Table May Mean Years of Additional Living—Don't Wear Out Your Stomach. By AL WILLIAMS.



Al Williams

what they do eat, and the five minutes extra time it would take to chew properly at each meal makes the difference in health.

I speak of this from experience. I very nearly died once because I ate a French dinner of several courses and did not take the time to chew up the meats. That was in the days when I believed I could not possibly last out the day if I missed my lunch.

Once again we can learn from the animals. There isn't an animal of the higher species that doesn't take all the time it needs to chew its food. Some animals such as the domestic hog, or some of the wild animals that are known as gluttons, may eat more than is good for them, but there is not one of them that does not take all the time it needs to eat its "solids."

The average busy man measures what he eats by the clock. When he goes into a restaurant he does not ask himself what is good for him to eat. What he figures on is how much he can eat in twenty minutes or half an hour.

We have yet a great deal to learn about eating. But two things we know for certain—that most of us eat too much and that we do not chew our food enough.

What causes indigestion? Nothing more than that we've eaten food that our digestive organs cannot take care of.

The stomach, when we have indigestion, as has been stated in a previous article, is like the firebox of a steam engine that has been overloaded with coal.

The firebox of a steam engine is constructed to burn just so much coal at a time.

When the fireman puts in the coal he must be careful not to put in so much as to shut out the air and prevent the air from shooting through and around the chunks.

The difference as between good and poor health in some persons is just a matter of five minutes at each meal.

Any physician will tell you that nine out of ten persons do not know how to eat.

Not only do the majority of people make no discrimination in the selection of their food, but they gulp

If the chunks are too big he must break them up before he puts them in the firebox.

The food we eat, in the process of digestion, must be saturated with certain chemicals.

If we eat too much, or if we sent in our food in chunks that are too big, the chemicals cannot get into or around the food.

That is indigestion.

Many persons have indigestion in a mild way all the time and do not know it.

If this mild indigestion merely made a person feel badly for a short time after each meal it would not be so bad.

But it does more than that. Too much food causes the stomach to overwork in its efforts to be rid of it.

The stomachs of most persons are thus overworked year in and year out.

When your stomach is overworking you cannot feel well. And the stomach, you know, is not indestructible, though it is surprising how much it will stand.

The years of overwork will wear it out. After awhile it ceases to work so hard.

Then the indigestion becomes chronic and the owner of the stomach takes for granted that the feeling of ill-comfort he has is natural and that he should not expect to feel any other way.

Here is the best, and really the only worthwhile prescription for chronic indigestion:

Eat less and chew your food thoroughly.

If, in addition to this, we can add what has been suggested in previous articles, a little care in the selection of our food, we need never be bothered again with our stomachs.

A good way to do in limiting the amount and kind of food you eat is to think before you sit down just how much and what you want.

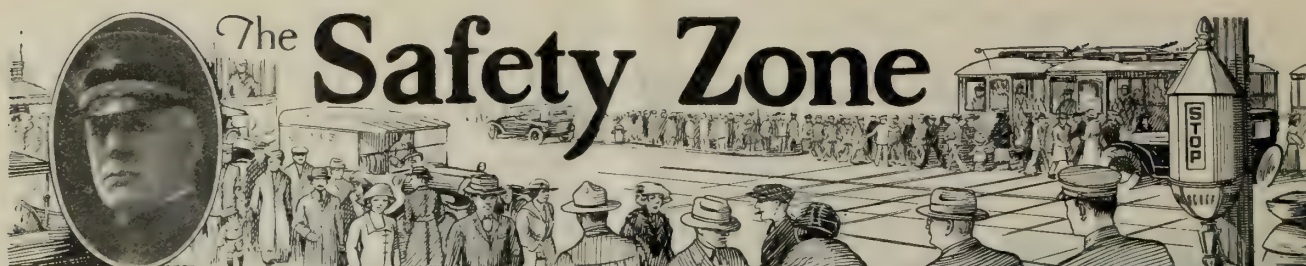
If one is living at home that is not so hard. But in a restaurant or a cafeteria it is more difficult to limit yourself because of the large selection of food.

You look over a menu and a lot of things look good. So you order a little of each thing that you like.

When you pass along the counters in a cafeteria you pick up a small dish here and another small dish there.

When you reach the cashier you have a lot of small dishes, and then, of course, having been charged for them, you think you must eat them all—and you do.

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A page devoted to timely and interesting discussion of Traffic Laws and problems.

Readers of "Douglas 20" are requested to contribute.

Communications must be signed with full names and with address and contain not over 100 words, (unless on special articles).

Names of contributors will not be published unless requested.

Communications will receive earliest attention.

Address communications, Captain Henry Gleeson, Safety Zone, Douglas 20, Police Department, San Francisco.

To the Editor

Douglas 20

For the benefit of several motorists, kindly inform us through your paper, the reasons for a traffic officer raising his hand straight up in the air just before the traffic signal changes or the whistle is blown?

Answer

The raising of the right hand by traffic officers is to indicate to the moving traffic that he is about to face about and give the opposite and waiting traffic the signal to go, and that if you are approaching, to prepare to stop at the change of signal, or a blast of his whistle.

This upraised hand signal is the accepted standardized New York signal of warning. It requires to be given plainly at all times and should be watched for by all motorists whether moving or standing to permit fast moving and proper stopping.

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To the Editor

Douglas 20

Will you kindly inform me what is the regulation in regard to an automobile passing a standing street car, which is taking on or discharging passengers? Must a motorist stop at all times?

Answer

Section 20c of the State Motor Vehicle Act, provides that vehicles must pass a street car standing at authorized stops, for passenger service, only on the right side and at a speed of not more than 10 miles per hour. That while passing there, must be six (6) feet of clear space between any portion of such vehicle and the running board of steps of such street car.

You do not need to stop if you have the clearance space and obey the speed limit.

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To the Editor

Douglas 20

When driving an automobile in your city and wishing to turn and move in the opposite direc-

tion, where can I make this turn? Must I go to the next street?

Answer

No vehicle except a police or fire department vehicle in his city shall turn so as to proceed in the opposite direction except at street intersections and shall pass beyond and around the center of such intersection, as provided by Section 20q, State Motor Vehicle Act.

This law does not apply on streets not within business places or not built up with residences.

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To the Editor

Douglas 20

I am a stranger in your city and was driving on Kearny street at Post and the traffic officer at the intersection ordered me to proceed in a different direction from which I wanted to go. Has he the right to do so?

Answer

Yes. Section 81 of Ordinance 1857 of this city and county gives the power to any police officer to regulate, divert, direct or control the movement of or order the stoppage of vehicles or street cars in or upon any public street, and that it is unlawful to fail to obey such diverting orders. There is always very good reasons for these diverting orders, and drivers should co-operate cheerfully.

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To the Editor

Douglas 20

I notice signs on the curb line in front of a business place reading "No Parking between signs" but having no police star on them.

Do I have to obey these signs and will I be tagged for stopping there.

I Needa Space.

Answer

No sign that does not bear the blue police star and the words "By order of the Police Department is official.

Captain.

The Cop On Jaywalkers

By PAT FRAYNE, Who Covers City Hall Beat for Afternoon Newspapers

"Uh, hu," remarked Officer 222, "I'm entirely in favor of a pedestrian court where jaywalking would be just as much of a crime as cutting a corner with your automobile or knocking down traffic cops."

"How's that?" asked the desk sergeant.

"Well, anyone with half an eye and a blue glass could see what's going on in the downtown streets these days," continued Officer 222.

"I'm not afraid of those reckless drivers we read so much about, but I am afraid of the rubber-heeled John and Mary who have just enough time to catch the ferry providing they break all marathon records and traffic laws.

"Now the majority of autoists stop when the traffic cop signals them to halt while he lets traffic run the other way. But not the pedestrians. Nay, nay! You never can expect them to burn off their shoe leather by putting on the brakes. Instead they dash between automobiles, under them, over them and through them. Every automobile driver who ever crossed from north across to the south of Market street during the noon hour or at five o'clock knows that he keeps his brake on the car all the way across. If he didn't he wouldn't be able to stop quick enough when some ninety-year-old thinks there's just room enough between cars to take a chance. These jay walkers are making nervous wrecks out of autoists and a mint of money for the brake manufacturers.

"And when the pedestrian hasn't figured his chances correctly, the autoist has to swerve his car into a building or a traffic cop in order to save himself from a manslaughter charge.

"If I had my way every pedestrian would be licensed and carry a pedestrian number. We ought to have a State Pedestrian Department and a book of laws governing them. The pedestrians should be made to stand on the curbing until traffic had been opened in the direction they were going, and if any of them tried to dash across, we could take their numbers and report them to the pedestrian court.

"I'd make them carry headlights and taillights when they ventured downtown in the evening or tried to cross Van Ness Avenue after the shades of night had been drawn. I think the pedestrians themselves will agree that such a system is the only means of getting across Van Ness Avenue after dark, anyway.

"It may sound foolish but it would help keep everything moving along at top speed if we made 'em hold out their hands when they were going

to turn a corner or turn into some store in the middle of the block. Yes, and "stop" signals when they decided to halt."

"And I suppose you'd make 'em wear skid chains on rainy days?" asked the desk sergeant.

"Well, now, I wouldn't carry it too far," said Officer 222.

"Seems as if you've done that already," concluded the desk sergeant.



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George Hudson and Caroline Taylor were arrested September 22, 1922, by Detective Sergeant Andrew J. Gaughran and Detective William H. Harrison who recovered about \$15,000.00 worth of dresses stolen by the pair in Los Angeles. These dresses were stolen from five different stores where the Taylor woman was employed as a store detective. When arrested she had \$600 worth of morphine in her trunk. She was engaged in eleven different stores in three years and a half. A year previous to her arrest she arrested George Hudson for stealing an overcoat valued at \$25 from the Villia de Paris store at Los Angeles. He was not prosecuted. She later took up with him and came to San Francisco. They registered at Mr. and Mrs. Murphy at 300 Hyde street. They would not keep any of the goods where they lived, but would check the grips that contained the stolen articles in some hotel, and register but never occupy the room at all. When arrested Mrs. Taylor had in her trunk three coats, two of which were stolen in San Francisco. In her own coat she had pinned in the lining a check for baggage that she had checked in the Manx Hotel, and in this grip were found all the stolen furs amounting to about \$1500.00.

Their mode of operations was: Both would go into a store and look over furs and would select one; would go to a mirror in some part of the store. Hudson would remain at the fur table and he would steal the fur while she was trying on the fur that she was supposed to buy, and, when he gave her a signal that he had the fur they would both walk out. Hudson was convicted by a jury in Judge Louderbach's court, and sent to San Quentin, for Grand Larceny. Hudson was arrested in one of the stores, after he had left the store, and the next day the woman visited the city prison where she stated her brother was arrested, and Detective Harrison recognized her by a large mole on her breast. The detectives had been looking for the woman with the large mole, and they had no difficulty in having the pair identified as the fur thieves. They had been operating here about two weeks. These people were considered the most successful thieves that ever operated in this city, as her experience as a store detective gave her a full knowledge of the game and when and how to do it.

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SERGEANT J. J. MANION IN CHINATOWN TWO YEARS

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On March 28 Detective Sergeant John J. Manion completed two years in charge of the Chinatown squad, the longest time any member of the police department has held such a position.

In addition to Officer Jack Floyd, his able assistant, the following men have served with him throughout this long period:

Officers Jack O'Donnell, John Connolly, Andrew Miller, David Dobleman, George O'Leary, David Flamm, Howard McGowan, J. P. O'Connor, Thomas Cronin, James Mahoney, Carl Marcus. Officer M. O. Dowell served 23 months on the squad and was recently at his request transferred back to the detective bureau.

During Manion's term in Chinatown gambling has been reduced to almost a negligible quantity, the lottery companies have ceased to be a factor, and tong wars have stopped. He has by his courteous but firm manner impressed the evil doers they would have to stop operations, and has builded up a confidence among the business men and heads of various Chinese organizations that causes the police department to be held in higher regard by the better element of Chinese than it has ever been before.

When asked when he is going to change the squad, Chief O'Brien looks out into the green lawn of Portsmouth Square and says he is perfectly satisfied about the Chinatown squad.

INTERESTING HISTORY OF DEPARTMENT

Charles Skelly, secretary to the Board of Police Commissioners, has dug up some interesting facts about the San Francisco Police Department that is worthy of reproduction.

In looking up some old records of the city's early history, Secretary Skelly found the list of the first policemen appointed in this city.

The appointments were made on July 26, 1851, and were as follows:

City Marshall, B. Seguire; Captains, Phineas U. Blunt, Thomas R. Eadie; Assistant Captains, D. H. Moss and Lee Treanor.

Patrolmen: Wm. C. Byrne, Charles A. Howard, Richard Robinson, Wm. Pardiner, S. G. Phillips, F. A. Nesbitt, Peter Sherry, Wilson, Worthy, James, Adams, J. H. Fewdy, A. Dorkin, Wm.

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POLICE WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' ASSOCIATION MAKES "DOUGLAS 20" OFFICIAL ORGAN

At the regular meeting of the Widows' and Orphans' Aid Association of the San Francisco Police Department, Douglas 20 was adopted as the official organ of the association.

The motion to make this the official magazine, devoted to the best interests of all policemen, active and retired was made by Officer Peter R. Maloney, and seconded by Sergeant Patrick H. McGee of the business office. It was unanimously carried by the large number of members of the association present.

In making his motion Officer Maloney pointed out that Douglas 20 was the official organ of the police department, and we are pleased to be recognized by the organization of policemen who has for its sole purpose relief to the widows and orphans of policemen. And it is well known that the help they have rendered and are rendering has been as a beacon light in the dark hours of many a bereaved family.

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It cost \$4,750,000. The Stockton Street Tunnel, connecting another section of this city with the business district, is nine hundred and eleven feet long and fifty feet wide, also double tracked.

Among other notable and comparatively recent civic achievements is the high pressure fire protection system. This has cost \$5,750,000 and provides ample protection against the recurrence of any disaster such as the fire of 1906. San Francisco's sewer system has cost to date, since the fire, \$7,000,000 and the result is, even at times of greatest storms and maximum run-off, no section of the city is flooded.

No city is greater than its schools. Since the fire of 1906, \$19,100,000 in bonds have been voted by the people of San Francisco for construction of schools. This amount of money is rapidly putting San Francisco in the foreground among the cities of the world as to school facilities. An additional \$2,000,000 was also voted recently for the reconstruction of buildings at the Relief Home.

In line with the plan to make San Francisco the most attractive city in the world, as befits its natural location, more than \$20,000,000 have been spent in recent years in street reconstruction and new pavements. A system of boulevards has been evolved giving San Francisco some of the most notable drive ways in the world.


Great attention has been paid to public playground facilities. From two playgrounds in 1910 with an attendance for the year of 150,000 it has been increased to eleven playgrounds and five school yards with an attendance in 1922 of 1,300,000. In addition to playgrounds the city owns and operates two public swimming tanks for children where they may swim without charge.

The municipal golf links in Lincoln Park are generally considered the most beautiful in America and the city is now constructing on the shores of Lake Merced new municipal golf links to relieve the congestion in Lincoln Park.

The ocean beach esplanade deserves comment as it will add greatly to the natural beauty of our beach. Extending southward from the Cliff House, with completion of the new unit, it will be twenty-one hundred feet in length. It is planned to continue it all the way to Ingleside.

At the foot of Van Ness Avenue is being constructed a park where will be provided a public swimming tank, beach, boat houses, etc. The project will eventually evolve an expenditure of approximately \$600,000.

One of the greatest projects before the city now is the proposed Golden Gate Bridge, connecting San Francisco with the Marin shore. The north-bay counties are co-operating to the utmost and it is confidently believed that the time is not far distant when



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Today, San Francisco with her incomparable climate, supremely beautiful natural surroundings, magnificent improvements, per capita wealth, comparatively low rate of taxation, unlimited field for investment, activity and business opportunity, the heart of California, the gateway to the Orient, pauses to turn her eyes to the east in expectant hope that she may share her climate, her beauties, her prosperity, for a day, a week or forever with the multitudes who, seeing and knowing, would love her as do those of us she has drawn to her from the four corners of the earth and holds wrapt in fealty and devotion.

CHEW YOUR FOOD AND RETAIN YOUR HEALTH

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The best time to decide what you want for lunch, if you are boarding at home, is immediately after breakfast, when you are not hungry.

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Fred Bohr

Detective Fred Bohr, assigned to cover the downtown hotels uncovered a swell mob a couple of weeks ago when he landed Richard Riley alias R. J. Scanlon, alias James Riley and J. C. Conley alias George McNulty in the city prison charged with robbing the postoffice at Olympia, Washington, of \$27,500 worth of stamps.

These two men have been indicted by the federal grand jury, by the country grand jury, and are wanted in Springfield, Missouri, where it is said they shot a policeman while robbing a bank.

These two yeggs, rated as high in their game, blew the first postoffice west of the Rockies that has been robbed in recent years. After getting away with the job they came to San Francisco, disposing of some of their loot en route, but saving a lot of it for this city where they started in to enjoy the fruits of their ill-gotten gains.

They each bought high-powered automobiles, finery for their women folks and were living in grand style when Bohr, who became suspicious of their manner, took the trail: He, with John E. Dolan of the bureau and Detectives George Richards and Henry Kalmbach have rounded up and recovered nearly all of the stolen stamps or their equivalent.

Besides this they have in custody and charged as accessories, and as having stolen government property in their possession, Alfred Katz, Antone Figoni, Sam Cohn and George Ceaser. This quartet were assisting in selling the stolen stamps and were traced by Bohr through phone calls made to the head of the gang being arrested by Policeman Emmett Flynn and Detective Sergeant John Dolan as they were still phoning. McNulty's wife was also arrested.

McNulty and Riley are wanted in Springfield for robbing the Citizens Bank there in November last year and shooting Officer Frank Ryan.

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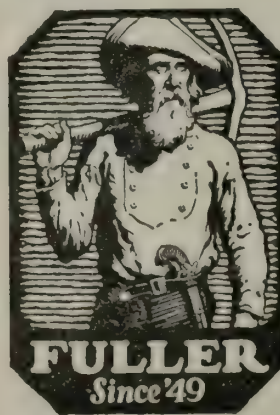
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THE NEW WORLD'S WAR

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say, "It was a wide road and not much traffic."

Reckless drivers say, "I did not realize for it did not seem that way to me," when charged with driving on the wrong side of a street, or street car, failing to signal their intention to stop or turn, driving a truck or other heavy vehicle across street intersections, cutting ahead, to indicate their contempt of other lighter vehicles, or more cautious drivers or driving without proper lights at night.

Other violators exclaim, "You should be catching speeders, hold-up men and burglars" instead of making trouble for law abiding citizens.

To the Police Department it looks as if traffic officers were not neglecting any of the classes of lawless citizens referred to by the indignant gentlemen, and their point of view is made worthless by the records.

Volumes of safety traffic laws have been written in every State and it will be found that the sections against speeding are the smallest part of these laws (made to prevent injury and death).

It is sufficient to know that 12,000 persons were killed in the United States in the past year by automobiles to prove the need of the many safety traffic laws.

In this record of death and injuries, San Francisco has no reason to feel alarmed. Our standing is very favorable in the roll of comparison with other cities.

But this record does not bring content to the department, nor lessen the wish that we might through co-operation reduce to the minimum the toll of injuries and deaths to our citizens.

The Police Department, supported and encouraged by the attitude and co-operation of the judges of our traffic courts, is concentrating its best efforts to control traffic violators.

The time has come when every motor operator needs to ask himself, "Am I a traffic violator? If so, why? Do I by the exercise of my will assist in creating a problem for the Police Department? By my example do I bring ridicule and disrespect to laws created for the safety of myself and others?"

What is the viewpoint of the speeder and reckless driver, who knowingly turns a thing of pleasure into a juggernaut of death, or untold misery to a fellow being?

What is the reason that boasting law abiding citizens refuse to know the reasons for the law of fire hydrants and its strict enforcement, especially at night? Is it their wish to be ignorant of the fact that obstructed fire hydrants in the downtown districts means loss of time in case of a hotel or theatre fire, resulting perhaps in a great dis-

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aster carrying stampede, death and injury to others, if not to themselves and relatives?

These are but a few of the violations that are the cause of the more drastic enforcement of traffic laws in every large city.

Experience teaches, and as I study the published reports of the experiences of eastern cities, I am ready to believe that stricter enforcement of our traffic laws is demanded along human and intelligent lines. That reckless drivers of motor vehicles must learn that traffic laws are to be respected and obeyed, so that all the people of our great city shall be protected equally and safely in their daily pursuits and that commercial business may be carried on with satisfaction and dispatch.

There is much diversity in the opinions of traffic officers as to the best and most lasting action to be taken in the enforcement of traffic laws in the large cities of the United States.

The majority of opinions favor jail sentences in all cases of speeding and reckless driving and heavy fines of violations of safety traffic laws or regulations. Yet one city was compelled to abandon the plan of jailing speeders, for the reason that the jails of that city were found inadequate to care and hold all of its citizens arrested upon those charges.

Knowing that our jail is more than adequate for our needs, I support the most drastic action against high speeding or reckless driving. Both must be suppressed as effectually as possible and those found guilty must be made to pay the toll for their acts.

What is gained by the operator who drives past a standing street car, frightening women and children seeking to alight from or board the same, or who speeds up to avoid being delayed by a street car preparing to stop (at a street intersection?).

Of what use is it to paint zones at car stops and pedestrian lanes and call them safety places against the driver who knows he will not "hit any one" and crosses great white lines to suit his ideas of traffic regulations?

What use are traffic officers and Stop and Go signals detailed and installed at great expense, (to guide in safety, pedestrians or other vehicles entitled to right of way) against reckless but clever driver of jitneys, taxicabs, trucks, street cars and so-called business vehicles, who disregard all signals, and give as an excuse "I did not see the officer," or "I did not notice the signal."

Who does not know the imperious taxi driver or truck driver, who "stops and goes" by signals of his own and drives in defiance of all laws and customs, when out of sight of traffic officers.

Prior to January, 1922, the highways of the Mission, the Ocean Beach, the Park district, the

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Richmond district, on Van Ness avenue and many other streets leading to our suburbs were daily filled with speeding and reckless driven automobiles.

Due to the increase of the motorcycle squad of the Traffic Bureau by Chief of Police O'Brien a determined campaign was commenced against this class of violators, and many arrests were made.

The actions of our Police Judges in all cases made plain their determination to uphold the Police Department and traffic laws. Heavy and consistent fines and many jail sentences soon created a fear in speeders and arrests became few for driving over the legal speed limits. As a result a great change has taken place, and these highways, especially Mission and Geary streets, once known as speedways, are practically free of speeders.

While this problem of traffic has been curbed, we must remember that only by eternal vigilance and drastic enforcement, can all traffic laws be made effective. Traffic laws and regulations are useless against the disrespect of deliberate violators. Selfishness or convenience are no longer a defense for violations of traffic laws.

Only by co-operation and willing obedience of all concerned, can traffic laws be made effective in their purposes, in the absence of traffic officers. Traffic officers cannot be detailed and assigned at every street crossing, or on every highway.

Every citizen claiming good citizenship should learn traffic laws and their meanings. With the exercise of care and caution in the operation of motor vehicles, they will help to overcome the breaks in the defense in the difficult traffic problems in our city.

CONTROLLING TRAFFIC FROM THE AIR

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fetches, but such a system in the fire of 1906 might have enabled an observer seated aloft to control the city's fire fighting forces, spotting the danger points as they arose, and bring a degree of efficiency in their operations, which would not be possible by ground work.

Space does not permit of the publication of many of the interesting photographs taken, but I forecast the time will not be long distant when Mayor Rolph, Chief O'Brien, and Captain Gleeson will step into the municipal airplane and speed across to the border of California to escort back by the air route some noted personage or public official, who is going to visit our city and under the guidance of the municipal pilot, take them on a tour of the city and the bay district from the air.

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SERGEANT HARRY CILLS TAKES PENSION AFTER THIRTY-THREE YEARS' SERVICE

Completing a service of 33 years with the San Francisco Police Department lacking one week Sergeant Harry Cills was at the meeting held April 2 by the Police Commissioners given a pension.

It was pointed out in granting retirement for the veteran and sergeant that in all his years' association with the police department he has never been reprimanded or charged with any infractions of the rules of the department.

Sergeant Cills was appointed to the force April 7, 1890. He held many positions of trust in the department. During the Bodkins case he assisted Chief Lees in assembling evidence in 1898; was assistant to Property Clerk Captain Moran for 10 years and during the fire of 1906 was in charge of 3800 people in Lobos Square, North Beach, where he made a record by supplying foodstuffs for the refugees, until relieved of this arduous work by the Red Cross. He was stationed in this place for four months.

He took charge of one of the night details through the devastated district for many weeks, and his experiences getting over and through the debris were enough to try any man.

Aside from other duties he was on the city prison detail for 16 months and when retired was assigned to duty in the Central district.

Sergeant Cills says he will spend some time taking a long rest and vacation, before making definite plans for the future.

CHIEF DANIEL J. O'BRIEN

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the capture of wanted criminals he had no trouble in bringing the 1922 convention to this city and he was elected a vice president against his wishes as a token of the esteem he is held by his brother chiefs.

Besides this he is president of the State Peace Officers' Association, and he has extended among this body of officers his doctrine of co-operation.

Chief O'Brien says he has the best police department in the world, and we will say that we would like to see a better chief. He has loyalty among the personnel of the department, harmony and men who have every attribute of a true brave and faithful police officer, and the men have at their head a man who embodies all these traits. It is no wonder then that the experienced crook shuns this city, and that the criminal who does take a chance does not get far with it.



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In clearing up this crime of murder of our southern city Frank Cummings and Joseph Maloney of the Mission station were specifically rewarded for the excellent work they performed.

At the meeting of the Police Commissioners of April 12 a resolution was passed directing Secretary Skelly to advise the Southern Pacific Company to pay the men through the Commission and the company ere this edition is off the press will have sent a check to each of the officers enumerated.

The letter from O'Connell follows:

The Honorable Board of
Police Commissioners,
San Francisco, California.

Gentlemen:

Karl Ersepke, employed as a machinist by the Southern Pacific Company, was killed at Daly City, September 27th, 1922, by Claude Merritt, Edward Condon, alias Cocky Green, Fred Merman, John J. Cornelison, Steve Apostolos, and Richard Cornelison.

The Southern Pacific Company offered a reward of \$1000.00 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of each of the parties implicated in the killing. Five were arrested and convicted and the Southern Pacific Company desires to pay each of the following San Francisco Police Officers as their portion of the reward, the amounts set opposite their names:

Joseph Maloney, Mission Station.....	\$800
Frank J. Cummings, Mission Station....	800
Capt. John J. O'Meara, Mission Station	200
David Murphy, Detective Bureau.....	200
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SHOULD INSANITY PLEA BE ABOLISHED?

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stantially that now in vogue in England was held to be constitutional (In re Boyett, 136 N. C. 415). A similar act by the legislature of Michigan passed in 1875, which required the defendant's detention until discharged by the Governor upon a certificate from the Medical Inspector and judge that the prisoner was no longer insane, was held unconstitutional (Underwood v. People, 32 Mich. 1) on the ground that it denied the accused due process of law.

If these decisions hold that because of the due process clause and the jury clause of the constitution an insane murderer cannot be detained in custody without a jury trial as to his sanity, either before or after his trial upon the criminal charge, they seem to depart from the common law. Alexander Wood Renton, Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Ceylon, and Editor of the Encyclopaedia of the Laws of England, in his article on Insanity in the Encyclopaedia Britannica states that: "There was no doubt at common law as to the power of the courts to order the detention of lunatics in safe custody, but prior to 1800 the practice was varying and uncertain."

In Hale's Pleas of the Crown (1860), Vol. 1, p. 35, it is said: "If a person of non sane memory commit homicide during such insanity and continue so till the time of his arraignment, such person shall neither be arraigned nor tried, but remitted to goal, there to remain in expectation of the King's grace to pardon his. 26 Ass. 27 3 E. 3 Corone 351. But it seems in such a case it is prudence to swear an inquest to inquire touching his madness, ex-officio, whether it was feigned."

Assuming then that madmen have a vested constitutional right to ravish, kill and murder with complete immunity, and that the legislature cannot take away such right without violating the constitution, it is clear that the legislature may define the character of insanity which shall constitute a defense and there can be no difficulty if such defense is limited to cases where the defendant is incapable of forming the intent to do the act, for instance, to burn or kill; or to such cases as were covered by the definition of insanity given by Justice Tracy in 1723, when he instructed the jury that a prisoner in order to be acquitted on the ground of insanity must be a man that is totally deprived of his understanding and memory and doth not know what he is doing, no more than an infant; than a brute or wild beast.

If the statute also requires the defense of such insanity to be established beyond a reasonable doubt or to the satisfaction of the jury as at common law in order to be a complete defense, the constitutional difficulties in the way of a more in-

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telligent control of those actually insane, and the constitutional difficulties in the way of a reform in this much abused defense are almost wholly overcome, and the broad field of insanity of less degree or of less certainty left to be administered according to expert advice, after conviction of crime, and without necessity of a further trial or hearing except such as may be best adopted to the determination of the custody of the prisoner for the purpose of a cure and for the protection of the public.

It is high time for a change. Murder is becoming commonplace. Lawyers and judges in criminal courts should study criminals as well as criminal law and should exercise an intelligent discretion and a defined policy in applying the new methods of dealing with the criminal and insane. There is only one way to control the willfully wicked felon and that is by life supervision, subject to pardon or dismissal when genuine reformation is satisfactorily demonstrated, and the same rule holds as to the criminally irresponsible insane.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC REWARD

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Jere Dinan, Detective Bureau..... 100

John Cannon, Detective Bureau..... 100

You will note from the foregoing that the largest amounts are being paid Detectives Joseph Maloney and Frank J. Cummings, of the Mission station—the reason for this being that the apprehension and conviction of those mentioned was brought about by the untiring and energetic work on the part of these officers, who by reason of their knowledge of the district in which they are detailed were able to obtain information which led to the arrest and apprehension of some of the parties outside of San Francisco, and also for the arrest of John Cornelison. I desire to thank both officers through the Honorable Board for their assistance.

I desire, through the Honorable Board, to acknowledge the many courtesies extended by Captain John J. O'Meara in this matter and the energetic work he performed in the arrest and conviction of the above parties; to thank, through the Honorable Board, Captain Matheson for the able assistance he rendered in the above matter; to thank, through the Honorable Board, the various other officers for the assistance which they also rendered in this matter.

Would be pleased to have the Honorable Board advise whether it is their desire that the reward money be placed in their hands for delivery or be delivered to those concerned direct.

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ventures. Likewise, they know their modes of operation and therefore can walk through the moving crowds in the shopping or theatre districts and "spot" one of the "good people" where ever they might be at work. Consequently, with such zealous and able sleuths on the work that they know, the pick-ups are quick and sure.

A remarkable record was made by this detail during the Exposition year of 1915, which attracted the crooks as well as tourists from all parts of the United States. There was not a single job accomplished.

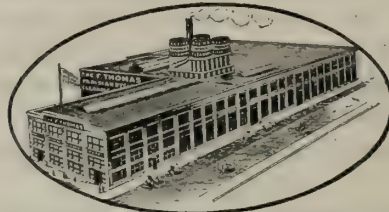
More recent examples are the Democratic National Convention and the Shriners' Convention, which were held in San Francisco and bloated the population of the city to a bursting point. During the political convention the detail nabbed eleven notorious pickpockets who had not even made expenses let alone any net profits. In this batch were three smart young fellows who were out to make a reputation for themselves. They wanted to pull a stunt that would enable them to lord it over the rest of their profession and be looked up to by the other denizens of the underworld. It is a known fact that such an attitude is common among these people.

So this mob of three set out to pick the pocket of no less a personage than dear old William Jennings Bryan of grape juice fame. But luck was against them from the start. Their episode had not been carefully planned in that none of them was able to pick out Bryan. Instead, they mistook the late Burke Cochran, democratic leader and lawyer of New York for Bryan, and when he stepped out of the Hotel St. Francis and hurried out to the Civic Auditorium, they trailed behind. They planned to get their victim in the jam of lines filing into the auditorium and were all set when McConnell, Gallavin and McInerney were attracted by their actions, got in line with them and they felt, each of them, that hand on the shoulder that sends the sickening feeling into the solar plexis of the wrongdoer.

Similar good fortune has rewarded the efforts of the detail with the bunco artists, but there are so many complicated ways that the bunco games are played that the wiles of the bunco man could not begin to be told in one article. In a later issue of this publication, the remarkable work of the detail in matching wits with those who play the bunco games for profit will be related in such length that its very interesting and entertaining details will not be lost.

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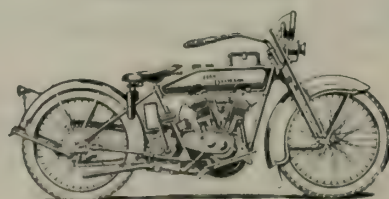
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TRAFFIC SIGNALS

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There are at present nineteen of these signals in operation, two at the Embarcadero and Market St.; six at New Montgomery, Post and Market Sts.; six at Third, Kearny and Market Sts., and five at Fourth, Stockton and Market Sts.

On the request of Chief O'Brien for more signals, this department has under construction in its shop at the present time, seventy-five new signals, and it is the intention of Captain Gleeson to cover all intersections in the downtown district with signals on completion of this number. It is the writer's opinion that, when this is accomplished, San Francisco will be the best equipped city in the United States as far as Traffic Signals are concerned.

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occupation. After the robbery of Schneider's stores in Tres Pinos, and the murders which accompanied it, Vasquez was finally severely wounded, captured and taken to the jail in Salinas. Fearing that he would be removed from the jail, either by his own associates or lynchers, he was taken to the coast and put aboard the steamer "Senator" and landed in San Francisco. Here, in the city prison, he was the center of attraction until his removal to San Jose for trial.

Vasquez was convicted of murder and sentenced to be hanged, and was executed in San Jose on March 19, 1875. In response to the Sheriff's question of whether or not he had any statement to make before his execution, he said: "To the Fathers and Mothers of Children: Standing on the portals of the unknown and unknowable world, and looking back upon the life of this, as I have seen it, I would urge upon you to make your greatest care to so train, influence, instruct and govern the young to whom you have given life, that they be kept aloof, as far as in the nature of things possible, from the degrading companionship of the immoral and vicious. You must not think, from what I have said, that I make any reflection upon the instruction and training I received from my own parents. I affirm they did all they could to bring me up in a right way. Circumstances which they could not control threw me among vicious associates, and I disobeyed their wishes and commands. I humbly ask the pardon of each and every one that I have offended or injured, asking their pardon that only a dying man can. I thank my brothers for their brotherly love extended to me during all the time of my troubles, and to my darling and beloved sister I render inexpressible thanks. Oh! sister of mine, thy love to me will buoy me up in my last moments. I commend my soul and the hereafter that is before me, to the guiding Maker, without whose help I can never expect complete pardon. Farewell, brothers, farewell sister dear, farewell all, the end is come."

(To be continued)

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By JOSEPH A. LEE

Official Reporter, San Francisco Police Department

The purpose of this article is to acquaint those who read this magazine with the criminal who has deviated from the more troublesome form of safe-blowing with dynamite, which is nitroglycerine absorbed by infusorial earth, to the more pleasant, easier and more modern method that science has brought about (but not intended for his use) i. e., the acetylene torch.

The yegg of former years was mostly of native origin or born in this country of foreign parents. He had absolutely no regard for human life, had no redeeming traits at all, and once in the profession of opening "tin cans" (safes or vaults) he seldom, if ever, was reclaimed from the criminal underworld of which he was a most potent part; He was an outcast in every sense of the word, except, of course, among his own class where he naturally finds many ready to affiliate with him in his nefarious trade; his countenance was characteristic of the typical criminal, a sinister, sneering expression. He himself when alone usually showed a reluctance to engage in anything demanding pluck or courage, but when in company with several others would not hesitate for the moment to snuff out the life of the peace officer or other law-abiding citizen to stave off danger from himself. Out of all this has been born unto civilization the Modern Criminal. He, with the acetylene torch, is just a "little more refined" from the standpoint of general appearance, habits, mechanical knowledge, etc. The greater majority of the yeggs using the torch have followed trades which would afford them a thorough knowledge of the metals generally. This knowledge to them is the greatest asset in the operation of the torch.

After the location has been decided upon, the preliminary survey having been completed, by one of the gang who, by the way, studies out the best means of escape from the town or city, the yeggs either rent a room directly above the banking institution, cut a hole in the ceiling (if no watchman is on the premises) and lower themselves down inside the bank, or else after forcible entrance has been secured, they set up the small acetylene and oxygen tanks, brought in an automobile. A hole is cut all around the combination and the same is removed. The tumblers are then accessible, and presently the door may be opened. Presto how nice, how noiseless (no noise except the hissing of the oncoming gases combining at the torch and released through the small orifices in the cutting tip thereof; no explosion like the old style safe

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That he trusts in the results to be accomplished is manifest from the men he has selected to cooperate with him, men who have made a success in the various lines of endeavor they have been engaged in.

The personnel of the board should cause every citizen of San Francisco to have faith and confidence in the work that is to be done by the commission in working out the great traffic problems that confront us, and we feel assured that these plans are in able hands.

Dr. Hartland Law is chairman of the commission; the other members are:

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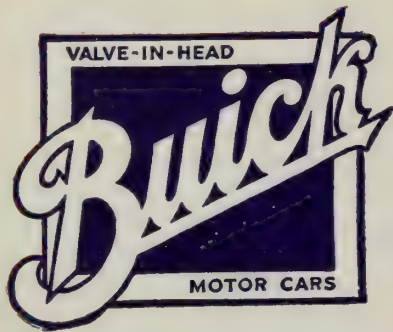
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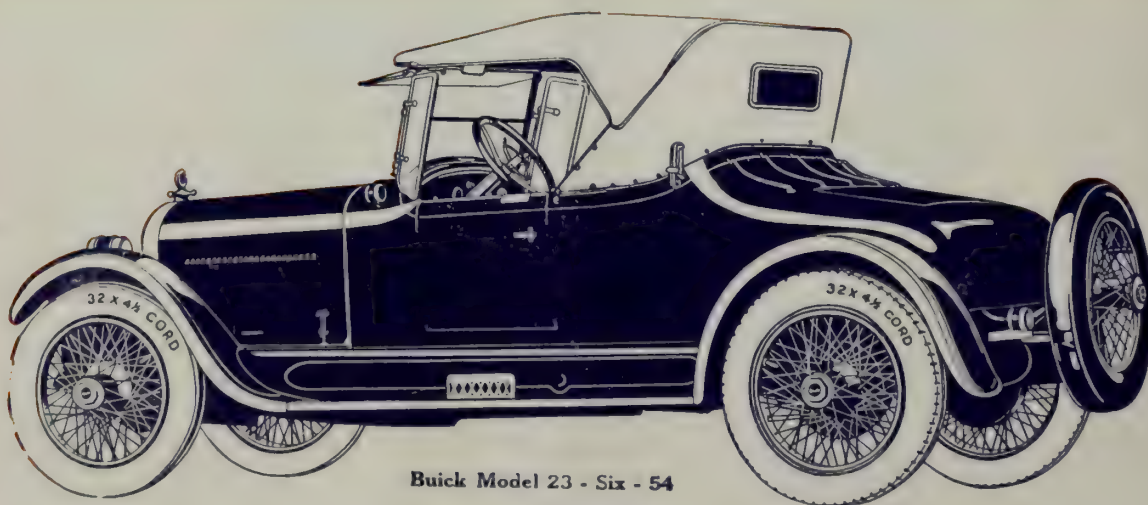
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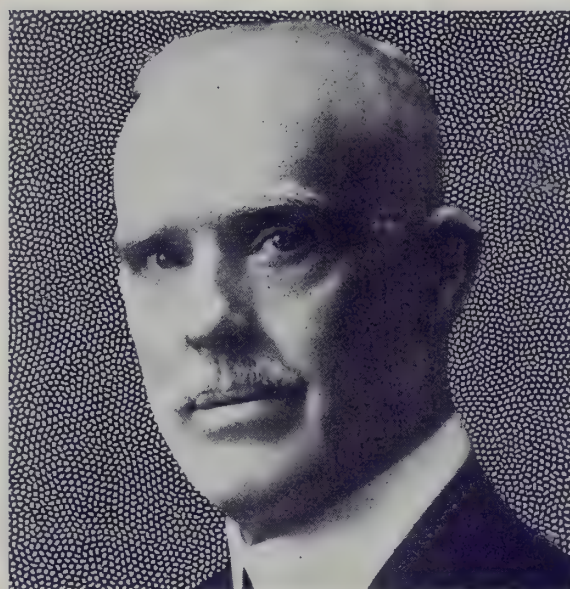


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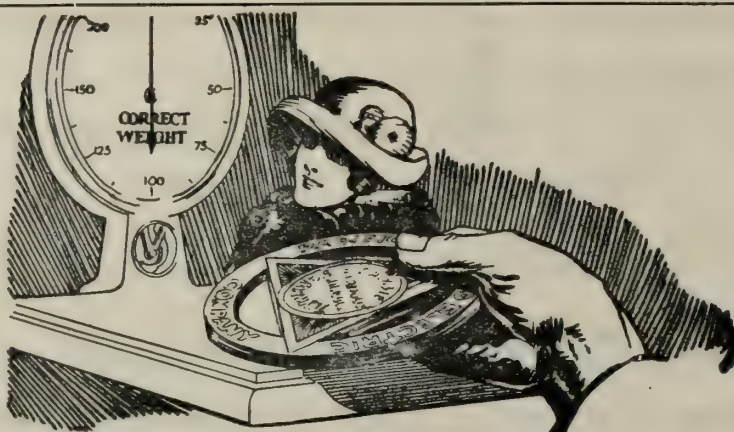
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"James Riley--Arrested"

DETECTIVE SERGEANT CHARLES MAHER *Tells of Capture of Cleverest of Check Passers in West. Tells Business Men How to Guard Against this Class of Criminals*

"James Riley, alleged check passer, was arrested yesterday charged with uttering numerous checks in San Francisco and other cities."

The above caption and following paragraph is probably as it appeared in one of the local newspapers when James Riley was arrested. It is but a small prelude to the following story of the aliases, actions and moves of one of the craftiest forgers and check men that have operated in the last several years. A Scotchman by birth, with a Scottish accent, often mistaken for an English one, this check kiter—with an Irish name—which he says is his true one, was arrested on March 22nd, 1923, at the Baldwin Apartments, Geary and Polk streets, where he was living with his wife and small child, having been there two days.

To the ordinary layman, the arrest and apprehension of James Riley was just a matter of ordinary procedure, unaccompanied by any thought of just how much trouble, worry, expense and diplomacy was encountered. The trouble, worry and diplomacy involved rests entirely with the officers making the search and inquiry for him; the expense of his detention, subsequent trials and other details would make a small fortune, and all is forgotten after the man is in custody; it is then work or pleasure—as the case may be—for judges, juries, probation officers, social workers, jailers and wardens to deal with the prisoner. At the present writing, Riley is held to answer, after a preliminary trial in the Police Court; that is, he is remanded for trial by a jury in our superior courts.

The records of the check detail have him indexed as James Riley, with the following aliases, these having been on the checks issued and passed by

him: J. B. Sanderson alias J. Sanderson alias George Roberts alias Frank Torrey alias George L. Beatty alias George L. Willards alias Charles Murray alias H. L. McDonald, alias George B. Allen alias George L. Thomas alias Thomas Cameron alias "Scotty" alias James Burke alias Charles Mintone alias Thomas Vittori alias Tommie Ferguson alias Alec Graham alias Donald McPherson alias John McDonald alias Carl Sanderson alias C. L. Crane alias John Ferguson, alias H. L. Williams alias Charles White alias George M. Brown alias Carl M. Mugere alias James Clark alias Alex McIntyre.

The above aliases, separately indexed in the files of the card index system in the office of said detail, correspond with the handwriting and exemplars of handwriting on the original checks and photostats of same on file in said office and refer also to the report numbers and correspondence on said subject. The expense alone of properly identifying criminals by their names, handwriting and actions is not in the least small nor petty but is absolutely necessary so that a perfect check can be made, in short time when the criminal is arrested as in the case of Riley, and makes the work of catching forgers and check men systematically and certain and harder for them to "get by."

Riley's operations date back in this city about two years and started in with a simple check passing, and subsequently ended up with him stealing automobiles, forgeries, fictitious checks and finally highway robbery, all of which he states was committed so that he might gamble away his money as he pleased hoping some day to amass a fortune by so gambling, a game that has broken them all and to which he, himself, was a "sucker" in the

parlance of "smart" gamblers who play the game only to win.

The problem of apprehending Riley was doubly hard, for the reason that he worked with his wife, that is, she accompanied him almost always with his two-year-old son, the wife and baby being red-headed. They operated all over the State of California, up the coast route and down the valley route and vice versa, and at the same time, there appeared in the same districts another man, working with a wife and baby, both of them being described as red-headed, both "mobs" (as they are known to the police) being in the same territory or in opposite territories at the same time. These two mobs traveled in automobiles, for the most part stolen, and worked almost every town in California to their hearts' delight. Circulars began



Detective Sergeants James Hansen, William Armstrong and Charles Maher

to show themselves, having been sent by different police departments in the districts operated; photostat copies of checks accompanied the circulars and the handwriting on the checks were examined and filed as one common mob; soon the discrepancy between the checks showed themselves and they were listed as "two mobs" working together and similarly.

The California State Bureau of Identification at Sacramento, one of the finest assets to the police departments of this and other states as well, and to whom all correspondence is sent regarding criminals operating in every city in the state, soon made a distinction between the two "mobs" in that we were notified that one of these checks passed by one of the "mobs" was signed "Nelson J. Simmons" and they had a record of a "Nelson J. Simmons," St. Joseph, Missouri, gallery number 4158, arrested in said city several years back and answering to the description of the "principal" of one of these check passers. The State Bureau, above mentioned, kindly loaned their police photo of this man to this department and copies were soon made and despatched to other departments with the result that "Nelson Joseph Simmons" was identified as being the check passer who was "cleaning up" on merchants in this state; in fact, until the apprehension of Nelson Joseph Simmons in Pasadena, California, it was thought that he

was the leader of both mobs, being partly identified by complainants on whom he did not pass checks at all. The concentration of police system, however, landed Simmons as before mentioned in Pasadena, where hundreds of checks were cleaned up throughout the state. For some time after Simmons' arrest there seemed to be a "let up" on fictitious checks but that sure was of short duration, for after a brief space of time another chap in an automobile, with a red-headed wife and baby, similarly described as Simmons and his wife and child, all of whom were in custody in Pasadena, kept the police officials busy. The movements of these parties were watched with keen interest by the State Bureau at Sacramento acting as the head clearing house and with this department a close second and correspondence never ceased between the two offices, with the result that the "mob" was traced to San Francisco and numerous checks began to show up amongst the merchants here.

The checks were passed by this "mob" traveling in automobiles and several merchants were sharp enough to get the license numbers of said machines and these proves to be either stolen license plates or stolen automobiles as the case may be. No trace could be had of the check passer nor the location of his stolen automobiles could be had. The merchants gave very poor descriptions of the "check kiter," some describing him as 5 foot 6 and others 6 foot tall; some as light complected and others very dark, in fact when it comes to descriptions, they do not mean anything at all most of the time, the handwriting being the issue and the true identification of the check passer. The license numbers were checked up with our automobile files and as mentioned above, found to be stolen, for example, one auto used was a Ford touring car, license (1922) No. 296957; this was found to have been stolen in San Jose, as reported by the San Jose Sheriff Sept. 6, 1922; another was a Chevrolet touring car, license 535-505; this license plate was stolen from a Ford automobile in Palo Alto and the Chevrolet touring car was procured on a bogus check in Turlock, California; at the time of getting this Chevrolet, the check passer turned in an old Ford touring car which was identified as being stolen from a Dr. J. B. Sanderson, a chiropractor of this city, the Ford having been previously used to pass checks throughout Southern California with license plates stolen promiscuously.

No merchant could give any line on this check passer, in fact knew nothing at all about the man except that he was a stranger to them and knew his business thoroughly.

Not until this check passer put one over on J. S. Silva, a restaurateur at 1616 Fillmore Street, did we get any information that would lead to the

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Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson

Chief of Detective Bureau Has Held Post Longer Than Any Man in Many Years—Worked in Lumber Camps, Railroaded and Went to Sea Before Joining Department

Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson was born in Nova Scotia coming to California when a boy in the early eighties and engaged in railroad construction and lumbering in Humboldt County. He then went to sea for the purpose of studying navigation and later returned to railroad construction with the Southern Pacific Company, was promoted to roadmaster and received a gold medal for having the best roadmaster's district on the system. One of his foremen also received a gold medal for having the best section on the system.

He was appointed a police officer from the first Civil Service list when the Charter became effective in 1900. He passed all the civil service examinations for promotion being number one on all lists after first promotion. This record has never been equalled in the department. He was assigned to the Central district for duty. His first beat was Haight Street from Steiner to Stanyan for one month, then Broadway from Battery to Jones for three years. During that time there never was a robbery or store burglary on his beat during his watch. He specialized in arresting holdup men operating in that section of the city and by following the simple rule of stopping for investigation and search every suspicious person crossing his beat after midnight he was able to arrest more holdup men than any other member of the department. Eddie Yarrow and Clifford Mel-drum, notorious burglars, were arrested by Officer Chris Merchant and himself while prowling rooms at 3 a. m. in the North End House on Columbus Avenue and sent to prison. Yarrow previously was acquitted on seven different burglary charges. He planned a very ingenious defense and mode of procedure for the trial but failed.

Capt. Matheson patrolled Powell Street from Market to California for one year and was specially detailed to clean up Union Square of undesirables. After the completion of that job was assigned to duty with the detective bureau under the late Captain of Detectives Joseph J. Barnett. While there was promoted to the rank of corporal and detailed as a detective sergeant. In the fall of 1906 was assigned in charge of the Maritime Strike on the water-front, which was one of the most bitterly contested in the history of the city. Order was brought out of chaos and then the streets were made safe for the transaction of business.

He was later promoted to the rank of sergeant and assigned to duty in Chinatown owing to the

chaotic conditions existing there. The Chinese gamblers understood that they were to be permitted to gamble their heads off, but that understanding was without the law and Captain Matheson stood on the principle that aliens should not have any privileges that were denied by law to citizens and the fight was on. Never in the history of Chinatown were such efforts made to run wide open gambling, every conceivable trick known to the trade, legal and otherwise, was brought into play without success, sweeping injunctions and personal damage suits were obtained and pressed by clever attorneys without avail. The case of the Asiatic Club versus the Police Department was carried to the Supreme Court and the sweeping decision rendered the police triumphant. That decision was the death knell of gambling in Chinatown.

He was again assigned to duty in the detective bureau on the pawnshop detail and made a record for recovering stolen property and making many important arrests involving international cases.

Promotion followed quickly and he was appointed lieutenant and shortly thereafter was selected to organize the Traffic Bureau which was rather a difficult problem on account of conflicting interests. The traffic ordinance was framed by Police Judge Daniel S. O'Brien, then Assistant City Attorney, Supervisor Andrew J. Gallagher and Captain Matheson. The original traffic plan in detail as worked out by him has never been changed and the bureau was firmly established.

His next assignment was acting Captain of the Bush Street Station and on account of the ability displayed he was detailed in charge of the Harbor District during the Exposition year. The crowds coming to the city were successfully handled without a missing person or the loss of a single piece of baggage.

While in charge of the Harbor District he was promoted to captain and later assigned to duty in charge of the detective bureau. During the six years in charge the bureau has made a national reputation for having fewer unsolved crimes than any other department in the country. Specialization in detective work is the advanced thought of the day and for that reason the bureau is divided into special details, Automobile, Burglar, Pawnshop, Bunco and Pickpocket, Bank, Bad Check, Hold up, Federal, Homicide, Identification, Photo Gallery and Diagrams. Excellent results have

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Burglary Detail "Knockovers"

DETECTIVE SERGEANT RICHMOND TATHAM'S "Gang" Halts Careers of Several Youths Who Find They Cannot Get By Long in This City

For weeks the police have been on the lookout for a gang of apartment house workers, a band of burglars who slipped into fashionable places up on Nob Hill and vicinity through windows that were jimmied from fire escapes. Every available man was put to work to get the mob, as the complaints began to mount to upward of thirty or more.

But no luck for some time, until during the first of the month this gang, like all gangs that persist in plying their nefarious vocation, fell and they



Back Row—Left to Right, Detectives Thomas Hyland and Richard Hughes; Front Row—Detective Jack Palmer, Detective Sergt. Richmond Tatham and Detective Earl Rooney

fell hard and plenty. The whole bunch was rounded up and a couple of ladies had some embarrassing explaining to do.

The arrest of the burglars, three in number, was brought about by the work of Policeman Tim Cashin of the Bush district, who was sent out to the apartment of Mrs. Beatrice Camonile, 730 O'Farrell, when she phoned a burglar was in her place.

Cashin slipped in through the front door, sneaked up stairs in time to see a gent go through an open window three stories from the ground. He took two shots at him and then went down stairs to search. He found the bozo hiding behind a billboard with a suitcase full of loot from the apartment above.

The man gave the name of Carl Kendall. His movements were looked up by the burglar detail headed by Sergeant Richmond Tatham, who, with Detectives Richard Hughes, Tom Hyland, Jack Palmer, and Earl Rooney, got busy. As a result

they rounded up Earl D. Wilson, paying teller of the Bank of Sausalito, who did burglarizing at night as a side line. The third man, Earl Brice, made a getaway but was taken off a Southern Pacific train at Dunsmuir and brought back by Hyland.

Wilson and Kendall came clean, told of doing about thirty burglaries from which they realized some \$20,000. Loot valued at \$10,000 was recovered through the fast work of the detail.

It is just another example of the fact that the boys who try to beat the law can't get by here very long.

Among the numerous gangs put behind the bars the past month by the Burglary detail, of Earl Rooney, Richard Hughes, Jack Palmer and Thomas Hyland, was one swell mob made up of Walter Debard, alias "Big Ribbon," Willie Debard, alias "Little Ribbon," James Daly, alias "Eagle Nose," Lawrence Belli, alias "Fat" and Thomas Wilson, alias "Creepy."

This gang is accused by the police of getting away with ten burglary jobs, netting about \$5000 worth of loot, which was mostly recovered. They have been beating the game for some time but they have all been held to answer and the detail has a good case against them.

PAWNSHOP DETAIL CLEARS BIG "KICK"

The loss of the "Dillingham" pearl necklace this month, valued at \$72,000 caused some ripple in the city, but the police did not get excited. The loss was reported, the case turned over to the pawnshop detail under Lieutenant Henry Powell, and he put his men on the case.

In a few days the necklace was recovered, the man who tried to make away with the jewels was arrested, the string of pearls restored to its owner and the prisoner, a laundryman in the hotel where the Dillinghams stayed, was turned loose at the request of the owners of the pearls.

Lieutenant Powell, Detective Ernest Gable, Sergeant Jere Dinan, Detective James Regan, A. B. Reihl, George Stallard, George Hippely and John J. Callaghan deserve credit for the rapid manner in which they cleaned up this "kick."

Making Good Policemen

*Another of Series of Articles on Police Training as Carried on in San Francisco Department,
By CHIEF OF POLICE DANIEL J. O'BRIEN*

In the San Francisco Police Department at the present time considerable advancement has been made in the training of newly-appointed officers during their probationary period. This training is carried out in the following manner: Immediately upon their appointment they are instructed as to the proper manner of filing complaints and securing both warrants of arrest and search warrants. They are also instructed as to the various forms which are used by the department. As all the executive offices of the department are confined to one building they are given a course of instruction under the immediate supervision of the officer in charge of each bureau. They are required to spend at least one week in each office and it becomes the duty of the officer in charge of the particular bureau or office in which they are assigned to give them a working knowledge of all the details of that office or bureau. When they have completed their course of instructions in the executive offices they are then assigned to the stations in the downtown district where they come in personal contact with the diversified forms of police activity. They are further detailed in the Chinatown Headquarters where they become acquainted with the practical methods that are put into effect to ferret out and overcome the activities of the violators of the lottery and drug laws. They receive a further training in the handling of traffic under the immediate supervision of the officer commanding the Traffic Bureau. Upon the completion of their training in the executive offices, the downtown police stations, the Chinatown Quarters and the Traffic Bureau, they are then assigned to a station either in the residence district or the partly-built-up districts. They are then at least able to look upon police matters from the many angles and when they are requested to take action upon some particular complaint which is presented to them they are confident as the result of their training that their method of procedure will be largely correct. In this manner not alone is the citizen receiving better and more courteous service, but the officers themselves are considerably strengthened and fortified by the knowledge and experience they have gained during their course of instruction.

In most of the American police departments the non-commissioned officer material is selected from the rank of patrolmen. Insofar as a knowledge of the criminal law is concerned this will largely depend upon the training which he received upon his entrance into the department and the exper-

ience which he has received during the time he has acted in the capacity of patrolman. Upon a policeman's appointment to the rank of non-commissioned officer he is immediately required to perform duties which demand executive ability. It has been well said that national armies are either efficient or inefficient according to the non-commissioned officer material which that particular army holds. In bearing the brunt of battle in international strife where the very life of a nation is at stake the non-commissioned officer is the man upon whom the cause largely depends for



Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien

its success. He is in close touch with the rank and file of his particular company and unless he faithfully and efficiently carries out the instructions given him by his superiors then the cause is in vain. So it is, also, with the non-commissioned officers of a police department. They are the men who are entrusted by their superior officers with the carrying out of police duties as they are constantly mingling and associating with the patrolmen in the department. Upon the appointment of non-commissioned officers it should be indelibly impressed upon them that while they are at all times to assist and instruct the patrolmen in the proper performance of their duties, they should notwithstanding always demand respect and obedience and should not indulge in un-officerlike familiarity with subordinates. The imposing of this condition is for the best interest of

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A B C of Traffic

CAPTAIN HENRY GLEESON of Traffic Bureau Tells Motorists More About Operating Their Cars on Public Highways

The "A B C" of Traffic includes two admonitions; first, always be careful; second, obey the traffic laws. If the motorist will observe these two standard admonitions, a long step will be taken toward keeping the streets safe for motorists and pedestrian alike.

The most important laws governing the operation of an automobile are Sections 14 and 13G of the State Motor Vehicle Act. These deal with brakes and lights. Reliable brakes and lights are



Captain Henry Gleeson

more important than an adequate supply of gasoline and oil. Your life and the lives of others may depend on the proper functioning of these two important elements in the motor car.

It is necessary that every motorist be thoroughly familiar with the hand and arm signals used by the traffic officer and the position taken to indicate "Stop" or "Go". Remember that his up-lifted hand means "stop". Both hands upraised means that traffic is to move. When the whistle is used for traffic signaling, one blast indicates a movement from east and west, two blasts means north and south, while three blasts means "Stop" or "Danger".

Action independent of traffic signals or failure to watch the signals given by traffic officers will always bring trouble. Traffic officers and traffic signals are the contribution of the city toward the protection of both motorists and pedestrians and the more rapid movement of traffic.

If you are tagged, appear yourself at the time

indicated. Failure to do this brings sure arrest and great inconvenience. Traffic laws and regulations to operate smoothly demand respect and this respect will be enforced, kindly if possible, firmly if necessary.

Speeding is especially dangerous in traffic. It is a violation of Section 22A of the State Motor Vehicle Act. Twenty miles an hour is the legal limit within the city limits; fifteen miles an hour is the legal limit in the more congested districts, while slower speeds are necessary at times when traffic is congested.

But there is something far worse than speeding. This is reckless driving. Most accidents are due to this type of law-breaking. Reckless driving violates Section 20A of the State Motor Vehicle Act. It relates to right-of-way at crossings not regulated by traffic officers or signals; it concerns driving on the wrong side of the street; it deals with passing a standing street car; it explains lack of courtesy and caution in passing crossings. Reckless driving means ignoring safety zones and imperilling pedestrians. It means passing other vehicles at street intersections. It means changing the direction of your car without giving adequate warning of intention to change.

Every motorist should have his registration card in plain sight in a container fastened in the driver's compartment. It should not be kept in a pocket or under the seat. Operator's card should be carried on the driver's person at all times when he is operating a car.

Alcohol and Driving

The man who drives while he is intoxicated is classed under Section 17 of the State Motor Vehicle Act as a criminal. Alcohol and driving a car are incompatible. Clear vision is one of the things that a driver must possess, and alcohol impairs clear vision. It is better to sleep at home than in a hospital or jail. Don't ride in a car the driver of which you know to be intoxicated. It is like riding with a revolver pointed at your head, the slightest touch of which may snuff out your life. More accidents, fatal accidents, are caused by reckless driving by intoxicated drivers than by any other means.

Know the law. It is as essential as knowing how to drive. Know that your brakes are adequate and that your lights are not glaring. Be courteous to other pedestrians. The cautious motorist is prepared for all eventualities. He knows he can depend on his car and he obeys the law.

Herbert Wilson--Master Criminal

Millionaire Bandit Who Hit for Big Game, But Who "Fell" When He Tried the West. Interesting History of This Man by CAPTAIN OF DETECTIVES DUNCAN MATHESON

A series of department store burglaries in Los Angeles, Oakland, Omaha, Minneapolis, Cleveland and San Francisco were committed by expert safe-blowers and burglars. Safes alone were attacked and nothing taken except cash and negotiable securities, thus rendering the tracing of the stolen property almost impossible.

During the month of December, 1920, the watchman of Hales, Incorporated, let out an inventory crew and before he had time to lock the door, a man stepped up, saying he had a package for the special officer in the store. On gaining admission, he said he was a Government officer and accused the watchman of being a bootlegger and covered him with a gun. The holdup man was accompanied by two confederates, who handcuffed and blindfolded the watchman and the two other employees in the store.

The watchman was left in charge of one man and the other two employees were taken to the fourth floor by the other two burglars. The watchman rang in the A. D. T. alarm on order of his guard. They drilled a hole in the safe over the knuckle controlling the bolts but found a more difficult job than expected, using eight charges to open the strongbox. Herbert Wilson remarking with an oath that it was the toughest job he ever tackled. After looting the safe, they left a few small tools behind and left the building making their escape in a Studebaker touring car, the State license number being noted by a bystander.

That was the only clue available except a fingerprint on the electric bulb, which Wilson unscrewed so that he could make a connection for the electric drill. The State registration showed that the license number was registered to a man named Wilson and the address given proved to be a vacant lot in Los Angeles. The problem then was to trace the car and after much difficulty was located in a small town on Lake Michigan and from there to a certain garage in Toledo, Ohio, and back to Los Angeles.

Shortly thereafter, the United States Mail in Los Angeles was robbed, the amount being more than six figures, Post-office inspectors under the supervision of the Post-office inspector in charge in San Francisco started an investigation and the clues began to point all in the same direction. Some of the stolen securities that were not considered "too hot," were being disposed of across the Continent. Some members of the gang were

shadowed, their identity established and headquarters located. Special Officer Shewbridge of Hales' Department Store, local Post-office inspectors and the Post-office inspectors of Los Angeles, Sheriff Traeger and his deputies, together with Detective Sergeant Geo. Richards and Detective Henry Kalmbach on the Federal detail were on the alert to make the arrests when the necessary evidence was obtained.

Herbert Wilson posed as a broker, owned a handsome residence and two or three automobiles and moved in good society. Post-office Inspectors



Herbert Wilson

Celler and Grant, Sheriff Traeger's deputies and Special Officer Shewbridge stormed the lion in his den and at the point of shotguns arrested Herbert Wilson and later Herbert Cox. Lou Wilson, a brother of Herb's escaped. Enough nitro-glycerine was found in the premises to blow up half a dozen buildings, as well as the most complete set of safe-blowing tools ever found in the United States; Herbert Cox caring for the tools. There was a complete acetylene outfit, electric drills, asbestos gloves, aprons and a gas mask to protect from the fumes of nitro-glycerine.

They were both held for the mail robbery and confined in the County Jail in Los Angeles. I went there to interview them and found Herbert Wilson to be very suave and cautious refusing to discuss the Hale job. Cox, however, was different and like all crooks began to figure the best way out and stated that he did not want to be taken to San Francisco to stand trial on the Hale job because he knew that if convicted, he would have to serve from twenty-five to forty years.

That statement is a sad blow to half-baked prison reformers that say stiff sentences don't deter. He asked me if he told the truth and took the witness stand for the State that he would be prosecuted only on the Federal charge. This plea being made because of his wife and two children.

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A Policeman and His Courage

Story of CAPTAIN CHARLES GOFF of Southern District, Written by KENNETH F. RICHARDS in May Issue of *Sunset Magazine*

How many times has Police Captain Charles Goff escaped death at criminal hands? Nobody knows. He has been too busy to keep count. His career has been spectacular for courage, yet he is the most unassuming of men. In action he is a human dynamo; in honesty unbribable, a sum of fifty thousand dollars failing to tempt him, yet his financial status is such that he cobbles his children's shoes; in the under-world he is hated



Captain Charles Goff

by the crooks who concede his gameness and respect him because he plays "square" with them.

The latest incident (merely an incident in this man's amazing career) illustrates Goff's character and to-date immunity from personal harm. Walking on the street, carrying a quantity of "evidence" just seized in a raid upon a bootleg joint, he was suddenly confronted by two men, one of whom thrust a revolver against his chest and snapped the trigger. But Goff's good luck was right with him—the cartridge was as bad as the would-be murderer and failed to go off. The next instant Goff had dropped the "evidence," knocked his assailant down and arrested both men.

And there was the instance of the bad man from the Arizona border who emptied the contents of a forty-five at the officer, and in spite of the fact that he was known as a crack shot he missed. Commenting on this occurrence, Goff said:

"Guess the Lord must have been with me that time sure, the same as He was when I jumped over the bar to arrest the bartender for selling moonshine. Directly under my feet when I landed was a trap-door placed there to get me, for they

knew of my habit in leaping over bars. Only it failed to work this time. Maybe this made the bartender mad for he got rough and I had to take him to the emergency hospital to fix his face where he had put it against my fist."

In the dingy back room of a certain saloon target practise was the favorite diversion during a spring month in 1920. The ultimate object was to fill with lead a police officer who had invaded the place a short time before and humiliated the bootlegging bartender by handcuffing him to an ice-box. While the aforesaid dispenser was in that position the police officer—Goff—had coolly given the "once over" to a half-dozen gunmen and ex-convicts who made the place their headquarters. They decided to get him. Picking out an Italian named Barsi, a moron, they shoved a forty-five pistol in his hand, put a meat-block in the back room for a target, got him to practise up and offered him two thousand dollars to kill Goff.

But Barsi's wife balked at murder. She called the threatened officer and told him. Desiring to see the surroundings in which the Italian lived, Goff called at the house. On the floor in the ramshackle dwelling the Barsi children were playing half-heartedly, semi-starvation showing in their emaciated forms. When he left, Goff placed two silver dollars in the hands of the woman, instructing her to procure food for the little ones. Several times afterward he gave her money and when surprise was expressed that he should feed the children of the man who was to kill him he could only answer in a puzzled manner: "But don't you understand, the kids were hungry!" Then one day the penitent Italian came into the office of the precinct, told the captain the whole story and presented him with the gun with which he was to have shot him.

In the spring of 1922, in line with the increased cost of everything, the price put on Goff's head was raised to three thousand dollars, payable to the one who removed him. When the news of this reached Goff he merely grinned, looked his gun over, sized up the fists that put people to sleep and casually remarked:

"Yes, they are always trying to get me, but what good would it do? The work I have started

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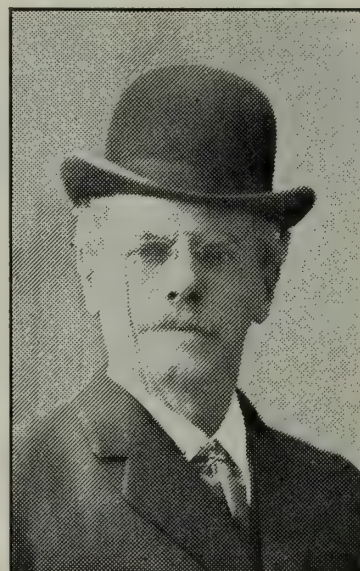
Handwriting and Crime

By CARL EISENSCHIMEL, Attached to Detective Bureau, San Francisco Police Department
Last of Series by this Recognized Authority

All handwriting is premeditated. Before a signature is affixed, it is preceded by the construction of thought, followed by the impulse to write, then the conception of the word to be placed on the paper; it necessitates a knowledge of the spelling of the word, whether correctly, incorrectly or indifferently; furthermore, the physical ability to place the word on paper or any other material; hence the action of writing requires thought and premeditation. This is as far as the signature is concerned. In doing body-writing, however, there is an additional requirement, namely, consecutive thought. After the first sentence, the mind must be prepared for the following sentence and then come to the surface additional characteristics of the writer, such as knowledge of punctuation, whether correctly or indifferently, proper spacing, etc.

Now in the investigation of handwriting and the methods to be used for diagnosing handwriting, we must take into consideration the movement, free or cramped; whether he is addicted to simple and plain forms of capitals or small letters, or extravagant, ornate, fastidious and elaborate forms, or whether or not addicted to eccentricities; consider the relative heights of the capitals and small letters; the relative length of the upper and lower extension of letters, such as, y, g, l, f, p; consider the initial and terminal strokes, the crossing of the t; consider the character of punctuation, whether habitually on the line or below the ruling, the positional form thereof; the pen or pencil pressure, the fluency of the writer, the spacing between the words; the habitual margin left by the writer on either side of the paper; even the position of the pen or pencil, which can easily be determined by the lower portions of the letters when tangential to a ruled or imaginary horizontal base line, and the habitual alignment of his writing in reference to this ruled or imaginary horizontal line; notice whether the writer is afflicted with paroxysm, which is not permanent, or with palsy, which is incurable, for in the writing of such a person every stroke is a record of the palsied movement, invariably obliquely from left to right, and right to left; or as I had occasion to point out another affliction manifested in a noted case of the People vs. Hightower, in which a light degree of St. Vitus tremor appeared and was manifested by his small letter t, as well as in his capital letters, T, in irresistably making two crossings whereas only one crossing sufficed.

Pertaining to crosses of illiterates, I recall the McDermott case, tried before Judge Buck of Redwood City 35 years ago. Bridget McDermott and none of her relatives could write; she died over 80 years of age, leaving a fortune of \$1,000,000, with no will. A will suddenly appeared, purporting to be in the name of some beneficiary. It was in the handwriting of the attorney for the claimant or beneficiary of said will, the signature reading: Bridget (Cross) McDermott. During the decedant's life time, Bridget had occasion to engage in real estate transactions, exchange of property, etc.



Carl Eisenschimmel

and so about a dozen of her signatures were submitted to me for examination and comparison with the X (cross) in question. Bridget McDermott's X (cross) was peculiar; she was of a devout nature, and so her cross was an upright, large one, resembling the emblem of suffering, whereas the cross in question was an ordinary saw-buck one.

During my close investigation of Bridget's cross, I ascertained that the horizontal line was made with great difficulty; she invariably interlaced a second line, proving to me that the muscular organization of her hand was not equally responsive to her intention, and not as responsive as her ability to form the staff of the cross with a perfectly steady downward movement and pressure of the pen, that stroke being heavier at the top and gradually diminishing at the end. It developed during my examination of the whole signature in question, that the two words "Bridget" "McDermott" should have been verified by the

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Corporal Francis X. Latulipe

Sketch by EVELYN WELLS, Newspaper Woman, Who Interviews San Francisco Police Department Diagram Expert, and in Charge of Photograph Gallery

Men aren't made by their jobs, not by a long sight. Take Francis Xavier Latulipe. A man with a name like that should be writing poetry, instead of which he is the only character around the Hall of Justice privileged to make use of the double cross. He leaves this mark of his all over the police pictures, and it means "here is the spot where the body was found, badly mutilated."



Evelyn Wells

Francis Xavier Latulipe is a man of many murders. He works when they murder, not before. An Arbuckle, a Hightower or a Wilkins comes to trial, and this young corporal of police files into action.

"I started in by studying mechanical drawing and surveying," he explains. "Then for a long time I was a motorcycle cop, and now—"

And now he holds forth on the roof of the Hall of Justice, under an expanse of glass, and watches men come in, men wearing the convict stripe and a sombre card with numerals, men whose shamed heads are skillfully adjusted side and frontwise between steel rods and photographed.

Latulipe is planning to arrange all the police photographs in a series of scrap books. These scrap books will be the main attraction of the upper floor. For the story of the Hall, its murders and its mysteries and its floating population, is told in the thousands of photographs in the gallery.

There are pictures in that collection too ghastly to be looked upon—but they will be. There are the photographs of the many thousands who have "lost out," old timers with furtive countenances, like driven things with no place left to turn, young lads in their first initiation into the circle of

crime, and women whose faces are set hard in a determination not to be photographed.

"The women take the mugging process hardest. Can't blame them any," says Latulipe. "And it's a funny thing, you'd think the fellows around here would like having joking pictures taken of themselves, with the stripes and number, wouldn't you? Just as a joke. But they don't, and you can figure that out for yourself. There is just the element of a suspicion of ourselves, living in everyone. We never know when we are likely to slip."

This tall, good-looking young corporal has to be among those present from the start to finish of a big murder. He diagrams the spot, sees to



Corporal Francis Xavier Latulipe

it that the body and vicinity of the place are photographed. To him a dead body is a dead body. It is a bit of property connected with his business. You might think this life has made a hard, morose individual of Francis Xavier Latulipe, Jr.

Instead, he is one of the gentlest individuals on the entire force. He never condemns in advance. Or even afterward.

"Oh, I can't make my mind up very easily about guilt or innocence," he says in a deprecating way. "I figure it's not up to me to decide. I'm not the judge. I'm just a corporal of police."

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Officer William Desmond

*South of Market Policeman Makes Friends of Down and Outers, and Gives Helping Hand to Many.
Known by All on His Beat, High and Low*

Third Street from Market to Folsom. That is the center to which many kind of men gravitate. It draws several classes of men. It draws the man who migrates from one place to another in the country, in the fields, the orchards, the mines or the grading camps. It draws the down and outer who seeks the companionship of his kind. It draws the man who works in the deciduous orchards in the summer up north, and the citrus orchards in the fall and winter down south. None of these men have homes. They come to see the big city. They come year after year. True some of them miss a year now and then, but they all have this city, and Third Street particularly from Market to Folsom, as their objective.

Those that have money spend it, roam about awhile and get out till they replenish their roll. The down and outer buoyed up by association with kindred spirits gets a temporary job on some big contract, but he comes back when he gets a little money to spend.

And during the comings and goings of these nomads San Francisco grows.

But it matters not whether a new skyscraper goes up in that district or the stores for these few blocks are made over into modern fronts, or more street cars run along the street, these men come and they find one landmark that stands out in the midst of all the changes wrought by civic improvement.

That landmark is Policeman William Desmond of the Southern station.

Policeman Desmond has been a fixture "south of Market" for years. He knows all the teamsters, the delivery wagon drivers, the street car crews, all the down and outers, all the annual visitors, all the ex-convicts who find this center sooner or later. He knows them all and he knows their first name as well as their last, and not only that they all know him.

The first thing one of these kind of men who travel in and out does when he hits Third Street is to look for the towering form of Bill Desmond. He greets the officer, and the officer returns the greeting with maybe "Well, Hank, you left us last April. Where have you been all this time? Well go easy with the bank roll and maybe you can stay a few weeks longer than you did last time. Better bank it for safe keeping. Well so long."

If a down and outer shows up after an absence of a few months he is called by first name and told how well he looks, and with the additional "Well, I told you your luck would break. Stick around

for awhile and then take another trip out in the country, it does you good."

If a row starts Bill don't rush in with drawn club and smash the combatants. He just steps in and says stop and then proceeds to make everyone friendly again. A little diplomacy helps a lot in doing police work.

A passing truck or a street car goes by, the driver or the motorman sings out a merry "Hey, Bill". It is returned in the same friendly spirit by the officer.

The business men like Policeman Desmond. Once he was taken off the beat for a change, but there was such a howl set up by the business men that the chief was glad to put Desmond back on his old beat again so numerous were the requests, by letter, telephone and personal calls.

No man ever appealed to Officer Desmond for assistance of any sort that did not get some reward for his faith in the policeman. He has a kindly word for all and has steered many a youth who had no purpose in life but wandering, hit for something more secure and permanent.

Every district in the city ought to have a few Bill Desmonds.

THEY WON'T OBEY ROAD RULES

In a Fresno court a man is being sued for damages as a result of failure to hang a tail light on a black heifer.

It seems this heifer had developed a penchant for wandering about country lanes and roads after curfew time and a stranger in an automobile bumped into her. We are left in ignorance as to the fate of the heifer, but the automobile was damaged to the amount of \$229.52. The owner of the automobile thinks the owner of the heifer should pay.

Without attempting to go into the merits of the controversy, it may be well to suggest that a tail light on a cow would be wholly inadequate. Anybody at all familiar with the perverse nature of a cow will agree that a headlight likewise is essential. As a matter of fact all well-equipped cows should show lights to starboard and larboard as well as on the bow and stern. Cows, it may be remarked in passing, are singularly unmindful of the rules of the road and are quite likely to do exactly the thing the unwary motorist least expects. Getting right down to cases, cows wandering about the roads at night constitute a real menace.—The San Francisco Chronicle.

Prevention of Crime

By VESTA KELLING, Feature Writer of Oakland Post Enquirer, U. C. Graduate, Whose Articles in DOUGLAS 20 Have Made Hit



Vesta Kelling

All of the editors, scientists, and publicists in California—everyone in fact with an audience to address—have been discussing the ancient institution of capital punishment.

Whatever may be said concerning the relative merit of hanging and life imprisonment these controversies have fortunately succeeded in bringing to the attention of the public the fact that the prevention of crime is a more vital problem than the punishment of crime.

Usually when a court convicts a man of murder and sentences him to hang until he is dead the offender is obviously a nervous weakling. He stands before his jurors and judges, a mental and physical misfit—an accident in the operation of nature's law, "the survival of the fittest," and the process is at best a matter of "locking the barn door after the horse has been stolen."

Whether or not capital punishment is inhumane or barbarous is a question muchly debated. The cold facts and cold figures of court records all over the United States show that murder is increasing and not decreasing.

For centuries man has been sufficiently civilized to imprison, kill, or suppress in some fashion men and women incapable of enjoying the privileges of freedom without infringing upon the rights, property and happiness of others. Today prevention is the more comprehensive problem—the more modern and scientific problem.

However this is not a treatise on capital punishment.

The rapidly developing science of psychology, and the allied science of psychiatry, have revealed the fact that society can prevent an enormous percentage of crimes by curtailing the freedom of the mentally unfit—by carefully supervising high grade defectives or confining them to state institutions.

Statistics compiled by police departments in conjunction with social service workers, who are for the most part trained psychologists, show that a huge and compelling proportion of the law-breakers which make up the stream flowing in and out of the police courts, juvenile courts, and prisons of the country are mental defectives.

Although a national survey of the mentally unfit has never been made in the United States a survey made in Great Britain a decade ago shows that one out of every 234 persons are deficient mentally

in that country. The proportion in this country is probably much greater.

Doctor Olive Bridgman, professor of abnormal psychology at the University of California says that three-fifths of the feeble-minded individuals of California are at large today.

There is at present no legal way of suppressing the activities of the feeble-minded and they are a tremendous social and economical problem. They wander from job to job and from city to city and are easily persuaded to enter any kind of mischief or crime. Jails, poor houses, county homes and detention homes contain many of this class.

Idiots and imbeciles—obviously degenerates and unbalanced unfortunates—are not a social problem because their numbers are small and because they rarely propagate. When a line degenerates into idiocy it dies out of itself, but the higher grade defectives, or morons, have more children than normal individuals. It is a characteristic of the moron that he is incapable of planning for the future.

And in addition it is scientifically known that the offspring of two defectives are bound to be neurotic and mentally deficient themselves and to pass on the strain to posterity.

In civilizations that are crude and barbarous these defectives are weeded out by the struggle for existence but in the prosperous United States of the present they survive and propagate, aided by plentiful jobs and the generosity of charities.

At any rate it is certain that the moron, emotionally unstable, mentally deficient, and often physically unfit, scientists have found fill our prisons. Sneak thieves, shop-lifters, auto thieves, prostitutes and the whole class of people at the very bottom of our society in both country and city communities are seldom wholesome, healthy and intelligent.

A very few are the product of environment but a huge percent are people which should never have been expected to compete successfully with their mental superiors in industry and society in the first place. The mentally deficient should not be forced by the negligence of society to compete with more able minds any more than a nine-year-old child should be expected to earn its own living.

The moron with complete independence is often made vicious by failures and humiliations. He is a prey to unscrupulous persons. Often he is ashamed and despondent for his own inadequacy.

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Interesting Bits of City's History

*Another of Series Being Written by PETER FANNING, Identified With Bureau of Identification.
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Peter Fanning

The Golden Haze that arose over California in the days of its early history attracted thousands to our State, and among them Harry Meiggs, a man of remarkable career and checkered life. Meiggs had chartered a vessel and loaded it with lumber, on the coast of South America, and arrived in San Francisco during the busy days of the gold rush, bringing with him his wife and child.

The cargo was immediately sold at an immense profit, and arrangements were made to continue in the lumber trade. A wharf and lumber yard were built at the foot of what is now Powell Street, and for many years "Meiggs' Wharf" and "North Beach" extending along the north section of the city, were favorite resorts and offered a great attraction to the men and women of the community.

Meiggs soon became a very popular man in the rapidly growing city. He was elected Assistant Alderman, and a few years later he was chosen Alderman. It was during his term of office that the scheme was put forward to purchase, on behalf of the city for a public hall, the Jennie Lind Theater, which then stood on Washington and Kearny Streets, where the Hall of Justice now stands. Meiggs opposed this purchase very vigorously on the ground that the price demanded was excessive and the building unsuitable for the purpose intended. The purchase of the theatre was a very unpopular measure, but despite Meiggs' opposition the Aldermen purchased it, and shortly thereafter the first City Hall of San Francisco was constructed upon that site. This building later gave way to the Hall of Justice which was destroyed in the fire of 1906, and subsequently the present Hall of Justice was erected on the same site.

Meiggs erected one of the first music halls of our city on Bush street, near Montgomery, occupying a portion of the site that was afterwards covered by the Occidental Hotel.

The Meiggs' residence was a large frame house at the corner of Montgomery and Broadway Streets, and was a notable landmark in its day. Toward the close of his career, Meiggs apparently abandoned the foresight and good judgment which had built up his fortune in the early days, and

indulged in many ill-advised and bad ventures. This immediately brought him to a sad day of reckoning, and he failed with liabilities stated to be \$80,000.00. Shortly thereafter, the report gained currency that Meiggs was a forger and fled the city. Great excitement prevailed and great crowds assembled on the sidewalks to discuss the news. A very brief investigation disclosed that City Comptroller's warrants for a very large sum had been forged by Alderman Meiggs, and had been deposited with brokers, bankers and other money lenders as security for loans. Meiggs was not to be found and it was soon ascertained that the rumors of his departure were true. As Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of Aldermen, Meiggs had access to the Comptroller's books and it was his regular custom to inspect them frequently. It was thus easily possible for him to get the facts necessary for the successful completion of his numerous forgeries. The names of Mayor Garrison and Comptroller Harris were cleverly forged, and so closely resembled the genuine signatures of these gentlemen that they were received as such everywhere. The investigation that followed disclosed that Meiggs had left behind him forged and other city script illegally issued to the extent of about \$400,000.00. It was also soon learned that a few days before his departure he had purchased for \$10,000.00 the bark "America," had fitted her in most elegant style and with every conceivable comfort, and was well supplied with food for a long voyage. He had reported to his friends that two very rich gamblers had purchased the vessel and were preparing for a cruise to South Pacific. Three days after the purchase of the vessel, Meiggs and his family drove away from their home reporting that they were going to San Mateo. As a matter of fact their route took them to Clark's Point, which was at Front and Broadway Streets, where the America lay off shore, ready to sail, and Meiggs and his family quietly boarded the vessel from a small boat during the night. When morning came the America was well out to sea and headed for Chile, where Meiggs made his first landing. Numerous attempts were made to arrest Meiggs and turn him over to an officer sent from this State for him, but Meiggs employed able counsel, and the Chilian Government, when the matter was laid before it, decided that Meiggs should not be returned.

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A BAD LAW STOPPED

The State Peace Officers' Association of which Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien is president, prevented the enactment of a new law by the legislature, this month, that if it had passed would have placed all peace officers at a great disadvantage when it came to dealing with crooks.

The bill, which its author declared was to protect innocent people from search and seizure, provided that no evidence could be presented in a state court unless it was obtained on a search warrant, and further if a police officer presented such evidence he would be subject to punishment by law.

In short it meant that if a police officer whose attention had been called to a burglary or robbery, and who saw the thief making his escape, and gave chase, captured him, or caught him in the thief's room, and if on that thief's person or in his room the officer found loot that was identi-

fied by the victim of the holdup or burglary, the police officer could not present that evidence if he did not get a search warrant, and if he did present it it would be thrown out and he would be liable to suspension, suit or imprisonment.

A condition would present itself to the officer who might be called upon in the dead of night to face such a proposition as above referred to and as is well known, a search warrant cannot be obtained at night. If the law had passed and the officer fearing its consequences left the loot in the room of the thief it could easily be removed by a confederate before a search warrant was obtained.

Chief O'Brien was notified when this bill was in committee and hastened to the Capitol where he pointed out the danger of the bill and it was beaten.

The Chief called attention to the fact that the codes of this state amply protected the law respecting citizens and that this legislation would favor the crook more than anyone else.

He also said that in San Francisco his automobile squads driving about the city at late hours often stop innocent people and inquire what they are doing out so late, and in all cases where the party so stopped was a law abiding person his men, and he, have received commendations for their watchfulness and that no citizen is to be offended when a policeman, in trying to do his duty fearlessly, has occasion to visit or question him concerning any event.

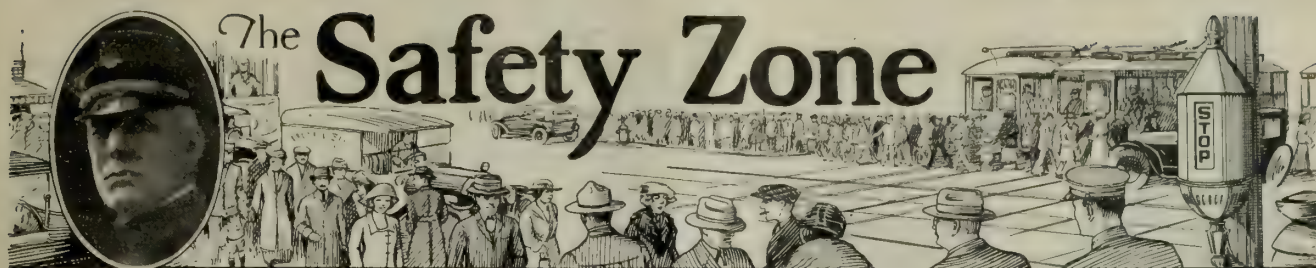
It is fortunate the Peace Officers' Association is so vigilant for they, with the Chief, have been watching the bill's through the legislature and they have stopped a few and have been successful in having several new laws enacted, principal of which is raising the penalties for burglaries, robbery and attempted robbery.

OAKLAND POLICE GET WAGE RAISE

The voters of Oakland last month granted the firemen and policemen an increase in pay. The increase amounts to \$15 per month and makes the salary of the police department now \$165, nearer a living wage, than they have been getting for years.

When a workman like a police officer has to buy several uniforms, guns, equipment, storm clothing, shoes and such it cuts down his spending power for necessities of life considerably.

It is also gratifying to the guardians of the law to have the citizens recognize their efforts by voting so largely to increase pay. San Francisco and Oakland have been treated generously by the tax payers and they are always trying to give their employers a hundred per cent efficiency.



A page devoted to timely and interesting discussion of Traffic Laws and problems.

Readers of "Douglas 20" are requested to contribute.

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Editor Douglas 20.

Is it unlawful for an operator of an automobile to at any time drive a machine at 35 miles per hour?

Answer.

No. Section 22a, State Motor Vehicle Act, provides that you cannot exceed 30 miles per hour on highways at night. In the daytime one may drive not exceeding 35 miles per hour, provided there is no person, vehicle or other object visible ahead within 400 feet, or any intersecting highway within 400 feet of the point of intersection of the two highways and that the person driving has a clear view ahead of him.

It will be noted from this that an operator of a motor vehicle cannot operate over 30 miles an hour in the daytime legally on a highway unless under the above conditions.

There also enters here in this section of the law further provision making it unlawful to operate at a greater speed than 20 miles per hour in residential district or 15 miles per hour in business district.

Some operators of motor vehicles seem to have the idea that they are allowed to double these rates of speed at will, which is the reason for motorcycle officers and Traffic Courts.

Editor Douglas 20:

What is the law regulating the passing of automobiles at street intersections when such automobiles are going in the same direction?

The State law, recognizing the danger of the custom of so many drivers of automobiles, when traveling in the same direction, pass each other at an intersecting street, and thus causing at least ninety per cent of the automobile accidents, has the following section on this matter:

"The operator of any vehicle shall not operate or drive the same so as to pass or over-take any other vehicle going in the same direction at any intersection unless directed to do so by a traffic officer."

HOW IS THIS FOR FAST WORK?

The following report tells its own story of how watchful is the San Francisco Police Department in protecting the people, and preventing crime as well. Had this scheme gone through a lot of people who wanted a good automobile cheap would have got hit on the head and lost their money and got no auto. The report follows:

"This date, May 11, we arrested Carey Wilson and Eulis Rice, and charged them with violating Section 182 of the penal code, and Wilson with carrying a concealed weapon as well.

"These men put an ad in the morning paper offering to sell a 1923 Buick Roadster for \$400, and asked that interested persons ring a number in the Upon Hotel. The prospective buyers were advised when they phoned to go to an address on Forty-fifth avenue at an hour of the afternoon.

"According to the confession of the men they intended to get their victims out to this address, make them go out into the rear of the house where the machine, a myth, was said to be installed, and when the bargain-hunters got there they were to be stuck up, bound and their money taken from them. The two men expected six victims with the \$400 cash in their pockets.

"After fleeing their men they intended to beat it, write the woman who owned the property, tell her they left their dog in the garage and ask her to let the animal out as they would be away for a few days. They intended to take plenty of time to write, so that their victims would not be able to give an alarm until they had a good start.

"When arrested Wilson had a loaded revolver on him, and the pair had three coils of rope which they expected to use they said in tying up the callers. They also had signs printed to put on the door of the house while working on a victim telling the callers they would be back in half an hour.

"Wilson is 23 years of age; Rice, 23. Gun
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Covering All The Beats

On the anniversary of the Fire of 1906, observed last month, all the schools in San Francisco were visited by a fireman and a police officer, each giving a short address on fire prevention. Officer Tom Stanton of the Park station was sent out to the Spring Valley school, and put over a good speech on the youngsters, all of whom listened attentively. When he had finished one little shaver arose when the students were asked if there were any questions they wanted to put over, and said, "You have told us how to prevent fires, will you please tell us how to prevent earthquakes?" Tom was stumped for a few minutes, and then said, "Young fellow, keep shy of moonshine."

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Otis Berge, special officer on Broadway, found a purse the other day with \$25 in it. He turned it in to the Central station and a few days later received a letter from the owner who also suitably rewarded him for his honesty.

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The man who keeps Jefferson Square clean—Officer Tom Gorman of the Bush station, with his rubber hose.

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If anyone wants a swell double-linked dash hound he can get one by getting in touch with Detective Peter Hughes, Room 16, Auto Detail, Hall of Justice, who is acting as agent for Steward Muhr of the Central Emergency Hospital. Peter is putting in his spare time between chasing auto bandits training the dashhound to single-step.

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Officer Ed Lynch and S. Samuels in charge of keeping the police gasoline buggies rolling, remark that when the department had two Fords and an Oldsmobile patrolwagon they had a snap but now with all stations equipped with motor conveyances their lot is no cinch. They are as busy as a one-eyed man at a three-ringed circus.

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Michael Doyle, than whom few men are better known in San Francisco, chiefly through his activities as a labor leader, and recognized for his squareness in all labor troubles, was this month appointed chief jailer by Sheriff Thomas Finn, and has assumed his new role at County Jail No. 1, Hall of Justice. Doyle takes the place made vacant by the appointment of Jack Nagle as immigration Commissioner, and who was pressed into temporary service after the death of Chief Jailer Jack O'Connor. The new chief is boosted by the men under him as well as the prisoners.

Officer Don Darling of the Southern station looks more like an actor than any policeman in town.

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Officer George Barry of the Harbor district is as well known on the water front as the Ferry Building. He is always just as prominent when the services of a policeman is needed.

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Special Duty Officer Griff Kennedy of the Bush district can tell more makes of automobiles from their fenders than a swiveled tongued auto salesman can tell of the good points of his car. Griff says a Buick's fenders are larger than those on a Chevrolet.

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Detective Sergeant James Mackey, Sr., originator of the "finger system" of crime detection, says that the sailors of today don't use the language they used to when he was hotfooting up and down the front.

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Motorcycle Officer Perry declares that since the San Carlos board track has ben demolished the speed demons have taken to Golden Gate Park for their tryouts. He lets them pace him before leading them to the station.

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Officer Slade Earl out at the Richmond station claims the real estate gents can change the map of any block in the Richmond District in one week so that a policeman has to look at the street corner signs to be sure he is on the right street or avenue.

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Patrolman Joseph Nolan has been transferred from the Richmond district to the Central district. Joe says it will take some time to be able to dodge all the fish wagons after a session out in the pleasant and quiet Richmond district.

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Pat S. Higgins, head of the field agents of Internal Revenue Collection, John McLaughlin's office, and who stands strong with the police department, has been selected as chairman of the annual outing of the Internal Revenue Collectors employees to be held at Fairfax Park Saturday, May 26. Pat, whose friends say if his hair had been black could have out-shieked Rudy Valentino, has a swell program mixed up for the employees and their friends. Gate prizes, dancing, athletic contests, and a tug of war between the Agent's office and the Collector's office. Pat intends asking to have Detective Sergeant James Skelly detailed to act as chaperon for the party.

Lieutenant Henry Powell, Sergeant Jere Dinan and Ernest Gabel of the pawnshop detail did some neat work for the Los Angeles police department last month. They picked up George L. Harper, wanted for robbing a room in the Alexandria hotel and getting away with \$10,000 in loot. They recovered nearly every bit of it here. Then they captured John McKenna, wanted for a thousand dollar burglary in Sierra Madre. They got all the loot, silverware, etc., and sent it back with the prisoner. * * *

Otto Fredrickson and Marvin O. Dowell of the detective bureau did some quick work the other day. At 2:30 the home of Mrs. Mary Bradbury of 1600 California street was robbed of \$7000 worth of furs and jewelry. At 3 o'clock the report was sent to headquarters. At 4 o'clock the man who committed the burglary, one R. S. Marsh, was in custody and at 5 o'clock all the loot was recovered. A mark for any department to shoot at. * * *

Crooks who anticipate holding up men carrying payrolls in this city had better look over the ground first for the department has bought a brand new Buick for the purpose of carrying policemen armed with shotguns to convoy payrolls. This new addition to the fleet of automobiles used by the police department for dealing with criminals is one of speed and will give any of the auto bandits a chase they will not forget. At nights it will be used by members of the shotgun squad. * * *

James Hansen of the motorcycle traffic detail declares that most motorists don't know where corners are, for they never slow down. * * *

Gents who drive automobiles had better look out when they approach the corner of Fourth and Market street for they are up against the wisest legal traffic officer in town. He is Officer Tom Ritter, now Attorney Thomas Ritter, for at the last examinations for entrance to the bar he passed with a high percentage in a large class of men and women who sought to become attorneys. If you stop wrong, start wrong, go on the wrong side, back up, park at the wrong place, he has the right law tabbed for your case and you will find it leaves no loopholes for appeals, new trials, writs or any other of the subterfuges resorted to by the guilty, and sometimes innocent. Attorney Police Officer Thomas Ritter will hold on to his job bossing traffic at Fourth and Market for a few months longer when he will hang out the well known shingle announcing to the world that he is really an attorney at law. We sure wish him success for Tom gets by dandy at his corner and is a favorite with his fellows as well as the autogoing public and pedestrians who have to depend on him for safety at this important crossing.

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Why?

Mix Your Own Ideas With Suggestions

Set Rules Are All Right, But Do Not Always Fit Case of Individuals—We Must Each Do Our Own Thinking

By AL WILLIAMS



Al Williams

The man who sub-headed my article that was published some-time ago inserted this very casual, but very important suggestion: "MIX ADVICE WITH YOUR OWN IDEAS."

That person who has no ideas of his or her own to mix with advice will never excel very much in anything.

Henry Ford is rich because he learned everything he could from others and then utilized ideas of his own which the others had not.

Charley Paddock is the greatest runner in the world because he knows how to put a little something into his running that other great runners do not know of.

There are several wrestlers as strong, and many faster, than Stanislaus Zbyszko. But Zbyszko has ideas that they have not. Therefore he is the world's champion.

Benny Leonard is by no means the best built nor the strongest lightweight in the world. But he works out ideas that his rivals can't. So he is the champion.

There never was a successful, self-made business man, nor a champion athlete, who didn't do some thinking of his own in order to reach the top.

I heard an argument not long ago on this very point. One man contended that Bob Fitzsimmons was not much of a thinker and that he became champion solely because of his instinctive fighting skill.

Fitz Authority on Human Body.

The man had never talked with Fitzsimmons or he would not have said that. Fitzsimmons was not an educated man, so far as book learning was concerned. But about fighting with the fists he was one of the most profound of all thinkers.

He had studied the human body as carefully as any doctor and he knew more about the body than most doctors.

Let's illustrate with another world's champion fighter—Jim Corbett. He took lessons from Walter Watson of the Olympic Club.

Yet Watson himself was never a world's cham-

point. Why? Because, good instructor though he was, he lacked something which Corbett had.

While Corbett was absorbing all Watson had to teach him, and all the advice he had to give, he was mixing in some thoughts of his own.

We must, to excel, have individuality. The man who lacks that can never hope to be anything more than an imitator.

When we are studying we should be doing so with the idea of eventually knowing more than our teacher.

But we should be careful not to think that we know more than the teacher before we actually do.

Each Case Must Be Carefully Studied

When we think that we are not thinking right. And when we are not thinking right, usually, it is better not to think at all.

We in athletics know that every person's case is an individual case. No set rules for body improvement will apply to any given number of persons.

They will apply in a general way, of course, but each case is more or less different from some others.

For example: Two men of the same height and the same age weight 200 pounds each.

Each is ten pounds overweight. The same rules for reduction, it seems, would apply in each case.

But listen. Suppose one man has been overweight like he is for ten years and the other's excess weight has been acquired in the last year.

To Take Off Weight

To take off weight that has been on a person ten years, and which has become almost a fixed part of the body, is quite a different matter from taking off the comparatively recent accumulation which is still lying loosely over the muscles.

Don't tie up yourself with set rules. THINK. If you think what is good for another person is also good for you, go ahead.

But first be sure you are right. That is part of the thinking you have to do.

When you read a suggestion make certain that it applies absolutely to your case. If it does not don't act on the suggestion—or figure out some way of improving or of elimination so that it does apply to your case.

DON'T BE AFRAID TO THINK. The person who doesn't think is a dub.

HEALTH: MORALS: SIGHT CONSERVATION

By DR. CHARLES H. HOBRECHT, *Prominent in Optometry of State—Conclusion of Series*

About sixty per cent (some authorities place it still higher) of the nervous energy stored up in the human system daily is used by the eyes alone.

The sight centers are situated in the brain in close proximity to the main nerve centers. The two centers are practically embedded as one. Any defect of



Dr. Charles B. Hobrecht

the eyes causes them to overdraw on the nerve centers of the brain and thereby rob some other organ or organs of their rightful share. The eyes are able in this manner to continue to function and maintain good vision for a time. The inevitable result, however, is the breaking down of the organs thus handicapped and causing bodily discomfort and disease which is seldom traced to its true causes.

Good vision is priceless indeed but the price many of us are paying for our "good vision" is immensely higher than others getting the same vision are required to pay.

In other words, as Goldberg might put it: Good vision "doesn't mean anything." It all depends upon the amount of energy expended to get that vision. That, after all, is what really counts. This we can ascertain only through examination of our eyes.

Many other facts might here be mentioned and cases cited that would substantiate same but enough evidence has herein been submitted to justify the claim made in the title of this article. The *Conservation of Vision* will contribute greatly to the *Conservation of Health and Morals*.

In closing the writer wishes to give due credit to "Eyesight," the Optometry Field Magazine, published in San Francisco and Los Angeles, for much of the matter herein submitted.

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ON THE JOB ALL THE TIME

Detectives George Wall and Jack Cannon, members of the shotgun squad of the auto detail from headquarters, are assigned more or less steadily out in the Richmond district. On the evening of May 3 they were cruising out on Fourth avenue, and when in the 300 block they heard cries of a woman. They dashed toward her and she excitedly exclaimed that her home had been robbed.

Looking down the street over a block away the officers saw a man shoving one foot ahead of the other as fast as he could.

The two policemen split, Wall going afoot and Cannon in the automobile dashing around the block to head the fugitive off.

By thus operating the man was forced to seek cover off the streets. Closing in gradually the two men finally decided they had him hemmed in



Detectives Jack Cannon and George Wall

and with drawn guns, both afoot, they climbed over fences, houses and through back yards until they found the object of their search hiding under a pile of lumber four blocks from where he had burglarized the house.

In his possession was over \$200 worth of loot he had stolen from the home of Mrs. Corine Tellefsen, 370 Fourth avenue.

Mrs. Tellefen had returned home and was in the house a half hour when she heard a noise and looked up to the head of the stairs where she saw the burglar. The latter seeing he was discovered, carrying the loot he had gathered up, made a dash for the front door past Mrs. Tellefsen, almost knocking her down.

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WHY BALL PLAYERS LIKE TO BE POLICE OFFICERS

By ROY CORHAN

Formerly Captain Shortstop of the Seals

To do anything well you must like to do it, in other words be in love with your job. Baseball is no exception to the rule. The boy who loves to play baseball every evening after school and likes to practice every chance he gets is generally the one that you see playing in the American or National League. Harry Wolverton, the greatest manager I ever played for, once told me that the first thing he noticed about a ballplayer was the amount of enthusiasm he put into his playing.

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MAKING GOOD POLICEMEN

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the department and discipline cannot be carried out unless the non-commissioned officer recognizes his position and acts accordingly.

While the practical methods of patrolling a beat is to some extent laid down in the rules and regulations of a police department for the government and guidance of a police officer, there is still that element which depends largely upon the intelligence and education of the patrolman himself to properly carry out his duties. What I have stated heretofore regarding the patrolman's knowledge of the criminal laws and of the rights with which he is vested peculiarly applies to a police officer doing patrol duty. The better he understands the laws which govern his conduct the more efficient will be the service which he performs. A police officer doing patrol duty is expected to be ever vigilant in preventing crime and securing evidence for the arrest and prosecution of a culprit where a crime has been committed. He is the man who is always in close contact with the residents of or people who inhabit the territory covered by his beat. It may be truthfully said that there is no set rule for the successful governing of his conduct in the proper performance of patrol duty. He is required to use considerable discretion in discriminating between that class of citizenship which is always willing and ready to co-operate with the constituted authorities in preserving orderly government, and those who are always on the alert to secure some pecuniary gain by unlawful methods. It should become the patrolman's duty to gain the confidence and respect of the law-abiding element—to impress upon them that he is but their public servant; that his duty is to protect them and their properties in the lawful pursuit of their callings; that it is to their interest to see that the criminal element which is always on the watch to deprive them of that which legally belongs to them suppressed and that it is only by their aid that he can successfully carry out the duties assigned to him. A policeman, unless he has the good wishes of the people whose district he patrols, is absolutely useless.

History shows that where police departments attempt to function against the expressed wishes of the people of the place where they are expected to perform police duty, their mission has been entirely in vain. Under the democratic instructions of American Government this should not be so because in the final analysis a police department is subject to the will of the people and may be changed by them in the methods provided by the Constitution and Laws whenever they so desire. It should be the aim and object of every patrolman on duty to gain the confidence and respect of the people who reside in or visit his beat;



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and make them a part of his police life. This he will readily do by showing a knowledge of his subject and by his courteous treatment on all occasions, as well as an everready desire to be at their service in matters properly coming within his province.

Too long have police departments expected that the entire burden of ferreting out crime should be borne by their detective bureaus. This should not be so. The entire police force of all ranks should work in the closest possible co-operation and the patrolman, by being in the closest touch with the people, should be the man to secure first-hand information and transmit the same to his superior officers so that when the detective is assigned to the case he will be in a position to immediately distinguish between that information which is material and that which is immaterial.

BUICK LEADS WAY IN NATIONAL PARK CHECK

At the request of R. F. Thompson of the Howard Automobile Company the superintendents of the national parks furnished data as to the number of motor cars which were officially checked in by the rangers.

Superintendent Lewis of Yosemite National Park states that 141 different makes of automobiles toured the big California valley in the high Sierras. Buick led all other makes of cars. There were 1830 Buicks registered in Yosemite Valley last season.

CAPTAIN DUNCAN MATHESON (Continued from Page 7)

been obtained and the department has made a record for recovering stolen property, automobiles and keeping the city free from buncomen and pickpockets. The auto detail, commonly known as the "shot gun" squad have kept bank robberies and payroll jobs down to the minimum, but in so doing several gun battles were engaged in with holdup men and auto thieves.

Captain Matheson is prominent in the fraternal, social and business organizations of the city. He is a Knight Templar, Thirty-second degree Mason, K. C. C. H., Shriner and Royal Jester. He is a member of the Down Town Association, San Francisco Advertising Club, Commonwealth Club, Public Spirit Club, California State Automobile Association, Treasurer and Organizer of the Peace Officers' Association of the State of California. Member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, President of the California Branch of the American Institute of Criminal Law and Criminology, Trustee of the State Industrial Farm for Women and United States Parole Officer for Women Prisoners at State Farm.

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SAFE CUTTING—HOW IT IS DONE

By JOE LEE

[NOTE:—This article is published because many burglaries have been committed by use of the acetylene torch. Its author, besides being a shorthand reporter by profession, is considered a good torch operator and he describes in a very interesting manner the operation of the torch as it would be manipulated by the yeggman.—EDITOR.]

The yeggmen operating the torch, having set up the acetylene station and noted that the valve on the torch marked "oxygen" is closed, will open the torch needle valve marked "acetylene" one-half turn. He will then turn the pressure regulating screw of the acetylene regulator to the right until the acetylene gas begins to flow through the torch. When sufficient gas has passed through to expel the air from the hose, the torch is lighted with a match or gas lighter, after which the pressure is increased until the acetylene flame ceases to give off smoke. This, of course, indicates perfect combustion. It is imperative that the volume of acetylene passing through the torch be sufficient to cause this perfect combustion, and that having secured the proper volume of acetylene that it shall not be increased either by turning on a greater pressure at the regulator (which is attached to the tank or cylinder) or by sucking in an increased amount of that gas by means of excessive oxygen pressures. He will then open the needle valve in the torch marked "oxygen" two half turns (one full turn), or just twice as wide as the acetylene needle valve. He will then turn the pressure regulating screw of the oxygen regulator to the right until the yellowish flame (called the reducing or carbonizing flame) blends with, but is not entirely removed from the clear cut white cone in the flame itself. To entirely remove all trace of this yellowish flame produces what is known as an oxidizing flame. The oxidizing is reserved till later. To leave it too much in evidence produces the carbonizing flame. The more perfect the flame, i. e., the neutral flame, the greater and more intense the heat given off. With larger tips, of course, the acetylene needle valve in the torch is opened more to give off a greater volume of gas. The yegg, having thus adjusted the torch, all of which takes but the small time of two minutes or so, then brings down the outer end of the white cone in the flame until it barely touches the spote on the safe door or vault where he intends to start the cut. This done, with the terrific heat given off through the torch (acetylene gas having 1600 B.T.U.'s—British Thermal Units of heat as against 345 B. T. U.'s in the case of Hydrogen gas), upwards of 7000 degrees F., the metal of the safe door or vault wherever the cut is to be commenced will almost instantly take on a distinct clearness, mirror-like



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in its character, and begin to melt and run. The metal in them, can be noticed the surface of the necessary to burn and immediately the yegg observing the cherry red color of the steel to be cut opens the extra oxygen cutting valve and pours into the center of the neutral flame an excess amount of oxygen gas which produces the oxidizing flame so necessary to cutting. By the action of the flame on the steel iron oxide is produced and through the goggles worn to protect the eyes (dark amber-colored lens or glass used in the goggles) from the destructive rays of the flame and from accidentally getting some of the molten metal in hem, can be noticed the surface of the steel crumbling away—the surface becomes frothy or foamy, which is in itself the indication to the yegg that the oxidizing has started and the metal is being cut. The burning of the metal of itself produces heat and this increases the fluidity of the metal in the vicinity of the part being cut, so that the moment the oxidizing flame strikes it, it, too, begins to crumble and is torn asunder, as it were, in the path of the oncoming flame. A very pretty sight, indeed, is shown at the moment of cutting—the pretty blue flame of the torch and the elaborate display of fine sparks being showered all about through the oxidization of the metal. Where the cut has been made an examination will show that the metal is now case-hardened by reason of the carbon from the acetylene flame; not so, however, with a hydrogen torch cut. Oxygen, on its advent into the steel industries, was compared to a hidden giant, and whether the oxygen gas be extracted by the Linde process or from distilled water by the electrolysis process, or from chemicals, it is not combustible. It cannot burn nor can it be oxidized; will not explode of itself, nor unite with itself, chemically speaking; but if one mixes oxygen with acetylene (a chemically pure gas), natural gas, city gas, carbon monoxide, hydrogen or other combustible gases, the other gas will burn or combine with the oxygen when ignited. Safe doors molded under heat must melt under heat. Ask yourself, then, are banks safe?

HOW IS THIS FOR FAST WORK?

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rope, signs, knife booked as evidence.

"They had the letter to the landlady written to be posted by a man going to Seattle, while the two intended going to Los Angeles."

This is the report of Nicholas Barron, William Heggerty and Peter J. Hughes of the auto detail. These three men answered the ad in the paper, went out as prospective buyers, the ad seeming phony. They soon saw the lay of the land, and they landed the two would-be bunco-robbers. They will be held to answer by Police Judge Jacks who heard part of the case last week.

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HANDWRITING AND CRIME

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cross and not the "Bridget" alone; and so I proved to the court that the successive order in which the cross was affixed was: Bridget (cross) McDermott. I proved to the court that the saw-buck cross was in the handwriting of the attorney who wrote Bridget McDermott: It was the work of the attorney who drew up and signed the will, including the cross; and upon my making this clear statement, the attorney left the court room and returned to the city of San Francisco. My opinion was upheld by Judge Buck upon the demonstration I had given.

Significant Concluding Question

In order not to tax your patience to the utmost, I shall conclude with a timely question. Of what avail are the honest and conscientious detailed diagnosis of suspected handwriting in a case, when attorneys do not take the time to consult a professional witness, and are so negligent in this all important matter of evidence as not to obtain his detailed, well prepared and carefully thought over testimony to be given by him, but when they merely glance rapidly over the few and succinct data of the police court? Is not such negligence on the part of the prosecutor disastrous to justice and very likely to harm a case of justice and free a guilty criminal?

SPECIAL AN ALPINE CLIMBER

Special Policeman Walter Hartman, alias "Big Hearted" Walter, patrols the beat in the terraces on the edge of Sutro Forest, taking in Alpine Terrace, Edgewood Avenue and the other hilly blocks on the crest of the Twin Peaks region.

"I'm a policeman, a forest ranger and a Swiss alpine climber all in one," says Walter, and he's just about right.

Walter declares that during the still hours of the morning, the traffic is heavy on Edgewood Avenue.

Autos? No Sir! Small game from Sutro Forest creep out and gambol around until daylight streaks the sky and the neighborhood comes to life.

Coyotes, an occasional fox, polecats, quail and squirrels galore, romp up and down the hour before dawn. They turn over bottles of milk and nibble the ends of French loaves left on front doorsteps and part of Hartman's duties are to chase them back into the forest.

"The boldest are the squirrels," Hartman declares. "Sometimes there's a whole army of them and if I wasn't such a hard nut they'd chase me off my beat. But I threaten to use my club on them and they behave. I'm going to get myself a set of traps. I'll have to."

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JAMES RILEY—ARRESTED

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detection of him; Silva, to the ordinary person, is not a very smart looking chap, but a hard working man, to whom the few dollars that he lost on the check passed on him meant plenty. He made an official report of his bogus check transaction and was visited by Detective James Hansen and myself for an interview; in fact, both of us, having been detailed to the apprehension of this man by Detective Sergeant William Armstrong, that silent but wise head of the Check Detail, lost no time in interviewing every one who had business with this check man as we were bent on tracking him down. Silva stated to us that the man who put the check over on him was accompanied by a small woman who had eaten in his restaurant several times before.

He could not place the woman but as this was the really nearest clue to the check man we kept after him continually to refresh his mind and to make inquiries for the woman as to her identity, habits, friends, occupation, tendencies and any other information that would give us the least clue as to her identity. Our patience was rewarded when after constant digging we located a woman friend of the girl who had accompanied the check passer and from her through several other women located the woman in question and finally after several hours cross-questioning learned where he kept his automobile, the Chevrolet, with the license 535-505. We waited several days patiently, Detective Sergeants James Hansen, William Armstrong and myself taking turns and finally landed the much-wanted James Riley, he with the many aliases, in custody.

Riley was questioned for about six hours and was at first very reticent, but when check after check, correspondence, handwriting, photostats and his entire files shown to him, he broke down and confessed to it all, making a signed statement which was a revelation. He stated he never had a check turned down on him but twice; he swindled banks, stores, and was one of the most suave, smooth, convincing bunko men that ever handled a check; he later stated that he could forge the name of any man when once his signature was shown him; he also stated that he was working on a system whereby it would be impossible for any man to "float" a bogus check.

When his fingerprints were taken in our Identification Bureau he was found to have the following record: Los Angeles Police No. 19967, as James Riley, arrested for grand larceny, automobile theft, granted probation; Los Angeles Sheriff No. 24645, same charge; Santa Cruz 4311-A, suspicion, charged with vagrancy; he was identified by twelve people as the person who held up the Diamond Laundry of Los Angeles, in 1922,

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securing \$2,500.00 in cash; also wanted for another robbery in Los Angeles around the same time. Riley in his operations, must have made between \$25,000.00 and \$50,000.00 and gambled away most of it. When one gains his confidence he can learn much of life, from him, as he has a rare gift of dry humor, gained by many travels around the world as a soldier of fortune and among these are his "tips" or "advice" to merchants, banks and other people, to whom the cunning check "kiter" may go, and if quoted correctly, they are as follows:

DON'TS

1. Don't cash checks for strangers.
2. Don't advance cash on drafts or checks deposited for collection.
3. Don't leave counter checks on corridor desks.
4. Don't give check books to any but depositors.
5. Don't accept any check or draft, payable through a bank outside the State.
6. Don't accept checks not properly filled out, not dated. etc.
7. Don't cash checks for women, when same are payable to men, and vice versa.
8. Don't cash checks for strangers when endorsed by a depositor unless you verify endorsement by phone.
9. Don't cash counter checks drawn on any other bank.
10. Don't cash checks that are not properly endorsed.
11. Don't cash checks unless signature is regular.
12. Don't cash travelers' checks unless same is countersigned in your presence.
13. Don't cash checks when the face of the check appears to be in the same handwriting as the endorsement on the back of same.
14. Don't cash a check given the "rush" act.
15. Don't endorse any check unless you are ready to pay for same as your best friend will "sting" you.
16. Don't cash any check when the amount of check is greater than the purchase, as nine times out of ten, it is fictitious.

The above "don'ts," some of which are from the words of James Riley, and supplemented by the Police Department's Check Detail if followed conscientiously, will make the check "kiter" a poor bunko man and if not followed, will reap a harvest for him.

Sergeant John Morrissey of the Bush street station says they ought to take the police boat out off Land's End and snake the old tanker wreck off the rocks and bury her. He says the old hulk sort of spoils the landscape as well as the seascape out that way.



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POLICE PROMOTIONS

At the meeting of the Police Commission May 7 the following corporals were elevated to the rank of Sergeant: Bernard J. McDonald, Charles A. Pfeiffer and Michael E. I. Mitchell, who passed three, four and five at the last examination for sergeants. Corporals Michael Riordan and Charles Dullea were elevated.

To take the places made vacant by the advancement of the three first named corporals, John McCausland, Howard H. Chamberlain and George S. McCullough were appointed from the first three eligibles on the civil service list.

The following five men were selected from the eligible list and sworn in as patrolmen: Lawrence Woods, Lee J. Irvin, Thomas Kelly, Eugene Keane and John Roche.

These latter additions to the department were given a heart to heart talk by Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien who pointed out to them that they had a good job, a chance for advancement and that it was up to them, that they should shun any efforts to subsidize them in any way and that though the temptations might be many they should always remember that some day they will be found out, and that a bum and a grafter had no place in the San Francisco department as long as he was chief.

BANDIT KILLED BY POLICE

James Redding early this month reported the theft of his Cadillac car. The shotgun squads of the auto detail were notified. One of these squads was Sergeant Charles Dullea and Detective Peter Hughes. They scouted around the Mission district at night looking for stolen cars and hold-up men.

They were driving about out on Twenty-fourth street when they spotted the missing auto. They drove up to the car and three boys were in it. The two officers showed their stars and told the youths to stop. Instead the driver "stepped on the gas" and the chase was on. Three times the detectives overtook the youths, and three times their command to halt was ignored. One of the boys made a pass as if to pull a gun. Bullea pulled his shotgun into action, and fired. The driver, John Mundy, dropped dead, the other two, Frank Fahey and James Best, were slightly hurt.

No officer relishes shooting a man but at the same time this incident ought to serve notice to the hoodlum element that when they are told to halt they had better show some respect for the law. The police have orders to shoot when they know a man has committed a crime and some times the shooting results fatally for the criminal.

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HERBERT WILSON—MASTER CRIMINAL

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I told him that I could not make any promise but advised him to tell all the truth to the Postal officials and clean up all the big mail robberies that they no doubt would show him consideration, and that whatever was satisfactory to the Federal people would satisfy the San Francisco police. This he said was satisfactory to him and expressed a willingness to help the Postal inspectors.

Somehow this information reached Wilson and fearing testimony from an accomplice, he planned to kill Cox. He procured a revolver, planned a jail break for himself and others, including Cox, but the attempt was frustrated by the Sheriff's office and Wilson in the break shot and killed Cox, whose last words were, "Herb did it."

Wilson was tried and convicted of first degree murder and sentenced to life imprisonment. He appealed the case and during the interim, he with "The Mouse," convicted of robbery, Standard Oil Messenger job, and others, planned a second jail break which was successful. They were at large three days but were taken at the point of shot-guns by the Sheriff's posse in the house where the notorious Tom Garwood lived. Garwood was notorious in many ways, always had a gun on the hip and mixed it with police officers on sight but usually came off second best. His last escapade in San Francisco was with George Sterling, a notorious ex-convict, who was killed in a gun fight with Police Officer Powers, while attempting to burglarize a warehouse in the Southern police district. Garwood died with his boots on in a gun fight with the police while blowing a safe in a cemetery office at Santa Monica. He had six terms in the State Prison to his credit.

After his re-capture, Wilson amused himself, not conscientiously, however, by preaching the gospel to his fellow-prisoners in jail. He is an expert at that line of endeavor being an ordained minister of the gospel, Revivalist and Evangelist, having had a congregation in Oregon. Pure bunk, simply to gain the confidence of the public and authorities to pave the way for another escape. He also stated that he made the Wall Street bomb; he has the necessary ability to do so but may have in mind that he might be brought back to New York as a witness and escape en route. Wilson is a careful calculator, having money and friends enough to rescue him almost anywhere if the opportunity presents itself. Indirectly, he was connected with the notorious Harris gang, who were in custody in St. Paul and Minneapolis for murder and robbery. Max Harris drove the car that contained the holdup men, that robbed the Powell Club when Police Officer William Kreuger entered the place and engaged in a gun fight with the robbers. "Gloomy Gus," husband of Ida Harris, was

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A POLICEMAN AND HIS COURAGE

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would go on just the same; my men would get the fellow who did it and he would hang."

After the great fire in 1906 holdup men ran amuck in the water-front district where many tents were used as homes, but one tent in particular was known to house a gang of toughs, gunmen and ex-convicts. They did not fear the police, the authorities having their hands more than full at that time. Goff went to the tent one night to arrest the men. As he parted the entrance flap he had his gun in readiness before him. One of the seven inmates reached under a cot mattress, saying: "Are we going to be pinched by a single cop without putting up a scrap?"

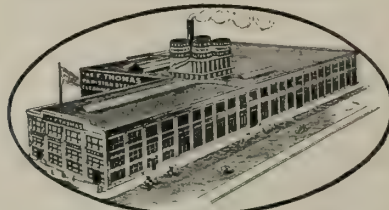
Goff's eye never lost sight of that hand and he invited either one or all to start something. Their failure to begin shooting was the reason no funerals were held later. Handcuffing them together, Goff called a patrol-wagon, giving the driver and the veteran reserves the surprise of their lives at what he had done.

Goff joined the police department in 1904 and his first beat was from the station he now commands. Those were the days when the district "south of the slot," as the immediate territory south of Market street was called, was the hunting-ground of the gentry who lived off others by their wits or strong-arm methods. The district was a veritable labyrinth of hiding places and many a brave policeman went to an untimely death at the hands of some of its denizens. Goff soon made a reputation for himself. Fights were daily occurrences with the new cop and the word was passed in the under-world that he was bad medicine to monkey with. In his early youth he had aspired to the light-heavy-weight championship and to this end fought some forty ring battles. He trained Gus Ruhlin for all his principal fights and at times was the sparring partner of Jim Jeffries and James J. Corbett.

For six years he pounded his beat, then was made a corporal and placed in charge of the Chinatown squad. Here he pitted himself against the crafty Orientals. Tong wars, gambling, slavery of the girls and the various methods of the Chinese to evade the law were not problems to Goff. Before long it was known that Chinatown was closed tight. In 1913 he was made sergeant and assisted in organizing the traffic squad; in 1917 he was advanced to lieutenant with orders to work in conjunction with the provost guard and the intelligence office. It was in that office that he was offered a bribe of fifty thousand dollars. The proprietor of an establishment located near the Presidio where thousands of soldiers were quartered offered him ten thousand dollars to let

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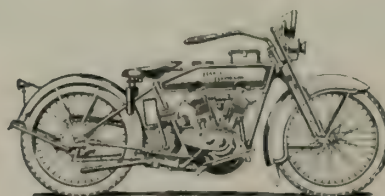
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him run, promising to make it fifty thousand. The money was laid on Goff's desk. His answer was snappy—he raided the place the following day and closed it forever.

Early in 1920 police headquarters, recognizing Goff's ability, put him in charge of the Southern station with the rank of captain. Here he was in his glory and lost no time getting down to business. He was repeatedly attacked by thugs, encounters that merely increased the duties of the emergency hospital, for the Cap is a slugger with the best of them, whether he mixes with one or many, and they have faded away from the district. Goff's utter fearlessness and his contempt for politics or pull have made him an outstanding figure in the department. The boy problem is his hobby. Often he is called upon to give addresses before civic bodies and other organizations and always he uses that for his topic. His theory is that if the boy can be helped through the formative years of his life he will make a good citizen. The boys in the district under his control know he is their best friend; that they can play, can give vent to the youthful spirit of mischief, without interference providing they do not overstep the bounds of sport.

Although he takes his job so seriously, Goff has a sense of humor. This was illustrated recently during a raid on a gambling den. Once before he had directed a raid against the place when the proprietor, deeply offended, informed him that his crude methods and uncouth manners were offensive to the patrons; that the captain's intellectual plane was inferior to that of the gamblers. A few nights later Goff assembled a score of picked policemen, each man in parade uniform. The captain himself shone resplendent in evening dress and opera hat. At the proper time the officers battered down the doors and appeared before the astonished guests. A sharp command from Goff, and his men lined up on one side of the room in military order. Turning to an attendant the captain gracefully tossed his cape and opera hat to him, straightened out his white vest on which gleamed the gold star of a captain and in the most suave manner possible informed the assembled gamblers that they were under the most distinguished arrest he could devise. After giving them time to admire his appearance and that of his men he directed the sixty prisoners to repair at once to the waiting machines apologizing that they would have to make the trip to the station in common patrol autos.

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INTERESTING BITS OF CITY'S HISTORY

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Meiggs was naturally a very generous, kind-hearted man, and his hand was always extended to help the unfortunate, regardless of race or color. To his own countrymen his generosity was boundless. In many instances, as might be expected, he was imposed upon and deceived, and when this was called to his attention, on one occasion, he remarked, "I would rather be swindled by a dozen scoundrels than to allow one real sufferer to leave my door as unhappy as when he entered it."

While not as spectacular, but perhaps as equally clever in their misdirected lines of endeavor, Louis and George Brotherton, commonly known as the "Brotherton Brothers," were the objects of much unsavory notoriety and attention in the days of which we are speaking. The Hickox and Spear Bank was located on the south-east corner of Pine and Montgomery Streets. One morning, Louis Brotherton calmly walked into the bank and handed the paying teller a check for \$12,000.00. The cashier found no reason to question the check and promptly handed out the amount demanded. When it was thereafter discovered that the check was a forgery intense excitement prevailed. Before they could escape with their cash the police seized them, and then began a vigorous fight in the courts. After a lengthy trial they were convicted and sent to the penitentiary. During the term of these men in the penitentiary a fire broke out in the prison furniture factory, and they proved of very great service to the prison officials in fighting the fire and holding the other prisoners in check. For this they were given special consideration and were later discharged under the terms of the so-called "Goodwin Act."

They left San Francisco after their release from prison, and when next heard of they had amassed a large fortune in conducting a gambling house in one of the Eastern cities. Previous to the advent of the Brotherton Brothers it was thought impossible to doctor a roulette wheel, but these ingenious gentlemen devised a scheme by which the de-

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CRIME PREVENTION

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And very often he is desperate from actual want.

Numerous methods can be employed to prevent crime—long before there comes the inevitable need to lock up the criminal.

Backward children in public schools might be selected for special training and given thorough physical examinations and intelligence tests to determine the nature of their mental failings.

Delinquent children who appear in juvenile courts for petty offenses are already carefully supervised by juvenile court officers.

The future will undoubtedly see the increase of detention homes for delinquent boys and girls because closer attention will be given to young people who fail to fit into the social system with the ease of normal children. In most cases science can counteract the influences of early environment and bad hereditary traits if it is given the proper opportunity.

Homes for the feeble-minded might be increased in size and number so that defectives of all grades, and not only the lowest types—idiots and criminally insane—are confined in institutions.

August Vollmer, Chief of Police of Berkeley and former President of the International Association of Police Chiefs said in an address last June to the International Association:

"Prevention of crime is our principal function and we must be thoroughly informed regarding all the causes underlying delinquency before we can ever hope to reduce the number of crimes that are committed annually. Merely arresting the offender and sending him to jail is like pouring water in a sieve."

Officer William Naughton of the Central station says that the nickel in the slot law should apply to everything, even telephone boxes, as it is a nuisance when a guy is in a hurry to have to chase around the block to get a dime changed for a phone call.



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"That particular branch of the San Francisco Police Department now known as the Traffic Bureau is hereby declared to be a company of the San Francisco Police Department, hereafter designated as the Traffic Bureau, and shall be known as Company 'K'."

"That unit of the San Francisco Police Department heretofore and now known as the Bureau of Vehicle Inspection shall be abolished, and the duties performed by members of the department heretofore assigned to said Bureau shall hereafter be performed by the Traffic Bureau."

"RESOLVED, That a unit of police be known and designated at Headquarters Company is hereby created, which company shall consist of the members of the San Francisco Police Department assigned to duty in the office of the Chief of Police, Chief Clerk, City Prison, Property Clerk, Bureau of Permits and Registration and General Office of the San Francisco Police Department."

The following transfers were ordered made:

Lieutenant William W. Lambert, from Co. "F" to Co. "H", Lieutenant Joseph Mignola, from Co. "D" to Co. "I", Lieutenant Joseph Clifford Field, from Co. "I" to "Traffic Bureau", Lieutenant Edward L. Cullinan, from Co. "A" to Co. "J."

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' ASS'N. MEET

At the regular monthly meeting of the Widows' and Orphans' Aid Association, held April 13th, the following members of the department were elected members of the Association: Bartholomew P. Sullivan, Company "G"; Stanley E. Doyle, Company "H"; Harvey J. Bill, Company "J", making the present membership of the Association 1,178.

Quarterly reports, covering the period, January 12th, 1923, to March 13th, 1923 (inclusive), were read from the Board of Trustees, the Treasurer, the Financial Secretary, and Recording Secretary. There was only one death benefit paid during the period covered, and the donations during the same period amounted to \$535.00. The reports also showed that the Association gained 11 new members, and lost no member by resignation or expulsion during the year 1923.

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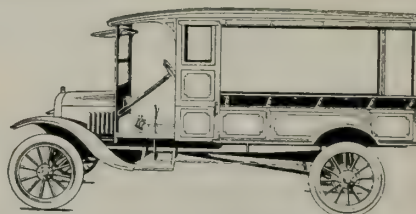
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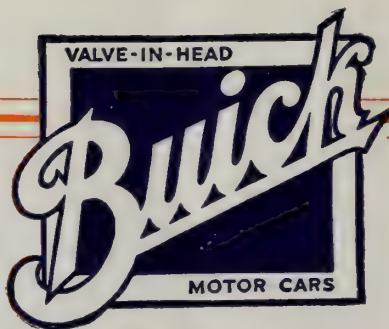
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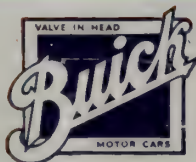
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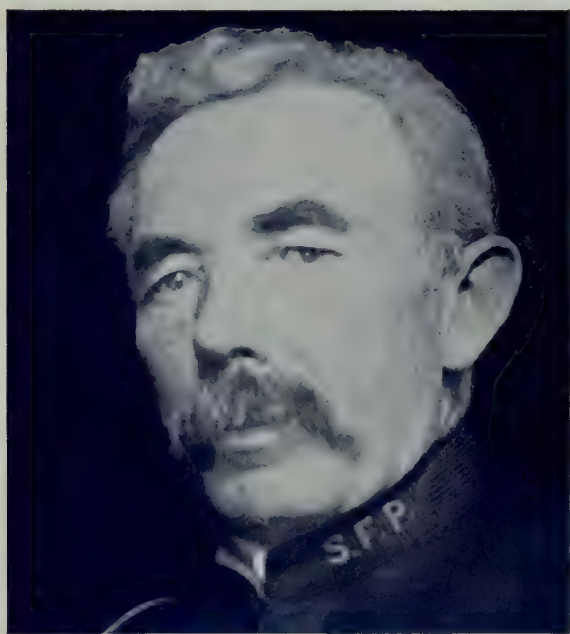


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Tangled Evidence

Another Interesting Police Fiction Story by HALE SHIELDS, *Well Known San Francisco Newspaperman.*
You Will Want to Read This One



Hale Shields

"Now I wonder what can be keepin' the man," said Mrs. O'Connor, the landlady. With arms akimbo, her expansive face flushed from the kitchen range, she rested speculative blue eyes upon the one vacant chair at the table.

"Most likely eloped with the the widow Casey," said Jack Holton, whose face, despite a scrubbing, still bore faint traces of the coal yard where he worked.

"Go on with ye," laughed Mrs. O'Connor, "I know that ain't so. I saw Mrs. Casey not ten minutes since and she confided to me you was askin' her to the truck drivers' ball."

Holton joined in the general laughter. "There isn't a man present," he said, when he could be heard, "but would ask her too if he had the tickets."

Mrs. O'Connor tossed her head. "I never saw such men—me that's been keepin' a gentlemen's boarding place exclusively for ten years. All runnin' after the same woman—and she a widow. I'm ashamed of ye all. But—" her glance returned to the vacant chair—"I'm wondering what's keepin' Mr. Broast, who's ginerally the

first to answer the dinner bell. Did anyone see him come home from work?

Eric Weed's black shoe buttons shifted around the table. No one, it seemed, had seen Jem Broast since morning—but he. Weed's eyes turned to his place and his heavy jaws resumed their up and down movement. He ate like one who enjoyed his food. As a matter of fact he was particularly fond of corned beef and what is more that afternoon's work had not spoiled his appetite.

He was a dour, ill favored man, was Weed; a silent man given to sudden and inexplicable bursts of temper. Men feared and distrusted him. Women shivered under the gaze of his coal black eyes and some of them were oddly fascinated.

Yet he wasn't a ladies' man. For the most part he had no use for them. There was one exception, the Widow Casey. And the exception worked both ways, for Mrs. Casey could look right into his eyes and laugh at him contemptuously until he thought he'd burst with rage. And she gave largely of her kind smiles to Jem Broast, the yellow haired, blue eyed, easy going iron worker.

"Talking about the Widow Casey," said Frank Johnson, "She's going out quite a bit with Jem Broast. Saw them at a movie show last night, and they were holding hands, or I miss my guess. I'm sorry for you fellows, but my money's on Broast." The little clerk's thin lips creased his sagging cheeks with a grin meant to be knowing.

But the grin faded when Johnson, looking around the table, saw Eric Weed's eyes fixed upon him in a malevolent stare.

"I got strawberry shortcake for desert," interrupted Mrs. O'Connor, and disappeared into the kitchen.

Weed now spoke for the first time since coming

to the table. He addressed a man who also had taken no part in the conversation. He was "Dummy" Wells, so called because of an impediment in his speech.

"How did you and Broast come out in that trouble of yours? I remember you telling me you were going to knock his block off."

Wells, a huge man with a shock of red hair, flushed. He was a very sensitive man, though you wouldn't think so at first glance.

"Sh-sh-shut up!" he grunted, explosively.

Weed, shooting a glance around the table to note the effect of his words, smiled slightly. He continued, rather casually, seeming to address the table generally rather than the embarrassed Wells.

"Fellows, you should have seen Wells and Broast mix it at the works yesterday. It's too good a joke to keep. I never saw 'Dummy' so mad—didn't know he could get that way. If the boys hadn't stepped in and separated 'em, no telling what would have happened. As it was the 'Dummy' threatened to get him on sight." And the borders were startled to hear Eric Weed laugh. They had never known him to be so full of talk before.

"Tell us what the fight was all about, Dummy?" went on Weed with a mirthless grin which showed his sharp white teeth.

But his victim was apparently choked with rage. He spluttered and glared at his tormentor. Then he half rose from his chair as though he planned to leap over the table at Weed.

Weed eyed him intently and with inward satisfaction. He knew the trivial cause of that fight; knew that the men had shaken hands and laughed over it a few minutes after it was over; and he was aware that Wells was incapable of holding a grudge for long.

"It was the funniest thing I ever saw," said Weed, one hairy hand spread on the table in front of him like a great spider. "And when the Dummy here said he'd kill Broast, I thought I'd throw a fit. Course, now, I know he didn't mean it."

Wells looked around the table beseechingly, struggled with speech, failed dismally, then, the color of a lobster, got up, glared at Weed, and stalked out.

"I kinda got his goat," said Weed. "I didn't think he'd be so touchy about a little joshing."

But a sudden silence fell among the group and it continued until Mrs. O'Connor came in with great slices of shortcake on a huge tray.

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Eric Weed was not ready for his dessert. He was very hungry today and he helped himself to another plate of corned beef and cabbage. He felt easier in mind than he had felt in a long time. With Jem Broast out of the way—out of the way for keeps—there was no one now who could pre-

vent him from getting what he most wanted in the world.

At the thought of Grace Casey, with her black hair and blue eyes, her saucy nose and her scarlet mouth that usually was smiling, Weed felt a mingled sensation of anticipation and resentment—anticipation of the pleasure he would find in her society, and resentment over the way she had scorned his suit in the past. But he would break her to his will!

Jem Broast had been the only one of Grace Casey's numerous admirers whom he had regarded as a stumbling block. While Mrs. Casey had been willing to flirt with the others, the men realized that Broast was the favored one. Strange to say, none, not even Jem Broast, had given a thought to Eric Weed as far as the lady was concerned; none but Mrs. Casey had known of his feelings regarding her, he felt sure of that.

Oh, yes, he certainly had laid his plans carefully, and everything had run like clockwork.

That fight between Broast and that boob, Dummy Wells, for instance. He smiled grimly to himself at the thought of how he had brought that affair to the attention of the men just now. And Wells had gone off in a rage; so much the better. Little things like that, he decided with satisfaction, were what made him different from the ordinary man who planned a thing like getting rid of an enemy. Now if anyone among Mrs. O'Connor's boarders was suspected, it would not be Eric Weed. Putting it that way seemed like a joke. Before many hours now Dummy Wells would have some tall explaining to do.

Pretty soon they would be finding the body. Mrs. O'Connor, he could see, was still worrying about Broast, for it was true that the man was the most regular of the boarders in his habits. An hour, at the most, and then she would go poking into Broast's room. And then there would be screaming and excitement.

That was the only unpleasant thing about the business—he hated hysterics. He would be glad when the thing was over with and the body of Jem Broast out of the house.

And Dummy Wells, too. He was beginning to dislike the man where before he had held him only in contempt. Now he would have to appear in court against him, he supposed, and give his testimony regarding the fight. He alone had seen the men shake hands afterwards and that was further cause for congratulation. Wells would certainly have a hard time explaining to the jury about that fight and the threat that he would get Broast. As far as circumstantial evidence went, it would be almost as clinching as the finding of the chain—the Dummy's watch chain—in the dead man's hand.

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Captain John Mooney

Biographical Sketch of Dean of Police Captains of Our Department. Has Been a Member of Force for Nearly Thirty Years

Captain John Mooney of the Richmond station is the dean of the captains of the San Francisco Police Department. He has held his rank since August 1, 1902, and has been a member of the department since January 17, 1894.

Born in Port Arlington, Ireland, Captain Mooney came to this country while quite young. His early training had nothing that would cause one to believe he would follow the duties of a police officer, he being a skilled mechanic and mechanical engineer as well as being well versed in astronomy and electricity. He has built for himself one of the finest radio sets in the city, bringing his skill as an electrician and mechanic into play.

However he did forsake the profession of his youth and became a police officer, and as such he has been one of the most active in the department.

His ability to grasp the details of police work won for him rapid promotion, for he had been in the department but a short time more than a year when he was elevated to the rank of sergeant, and in 1900, January 4, he was made a lieutenant and two years later a captain.

As a captain he has been exceptionally active and he has been called upon to face some of the most serious problems the city has been confronted with.

In 1907 during the big street car strike he was determined that the destruction of property and the injuring of the contestants should be kept at a minimum, so he worked out a plan to protect the strikers, strike breakers and citizens beside. He put a uniformed officer on every crossing in his district where street cars were operated, and so successful was this method of handling the situation that he had but little trouble in his sector.

In 1912 San Francisco was infested with the notorious Italian bunco men. These crooks were spreading terror throughout the northern end of the city and were harvesting hundreds of thousands of dollars. They were well organized, well entrenched and it was a difficult matter to get them smoked out and put them behind the bars where they belonged.

The late Chief of Police D. A. White brought Captain Mooney into the detective bureau, and in placing him in charge gave him implicit orders to drive the "bunks" out of the city. He gave the new bureau head full sway. Captain Mooney trained selected men to take up the chase and

before many weeks went by the bunco men were scattering, some of them were caught and sent to prison. And all have stayed away, San Francisco being one of the freest cities from this class of criminals there is in the United States.

On another occasion Captain Mooney was detailed in charge of the North End station and told to clean out the bootleggers who were reaping rich harvests from the soldiers out at the Presidio. This was before prohibition days, and the captain did this job as neatly as he did many others, and bootlegging became a negligible quantity in the North End district.

At one time while in command of Company E he had four other districts under his jurisdiction, North End, O'Farrell, Company H and the Park. After serving two years as captain of detectives he was assigned to the Richmond station where he has been located ever since. During his career as a captain he has commanded Companies B., E. and G.

While in command of the Southern district the pool room operators were hiding behind injunctions preventing the police from raiding them. Captain Mooney hit upon a scheme that put most of them out of business. He would not raid the places but he would send a patrol wagon full of uniformed officers to locate in front of the pool rooms and in this way the prospective customer fearing a raid would skid by one of the places like it was plague ridden. The captain figured that cutting off the revenue of the pool rooms would kind of discourage the operators. It did, they went out of business.

Captain Mooney has always had the welfare of his men at heart and he has always had the loyal support of every man under him, and always he has been quick to express the proper appreciation for work well done.

He is well versed on literature, being an inveterate reader of good works, and keeps well posted on all events of the day.

He says the most appalling thing from a police point of view these days is the change that time has wrought in the ages of criminals. When he first "broke" into the business the criminal was a matured man, many of them were bearded and wore regular man sized moustaches. Today, he says, we find the criminal a young boy hardly out of his teens and they are imbued with a daring and reckless disregard for human life that put the old time criminal in the background. Their

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The Pawnshop Detail

Local Bureau of Department Makes Greatest Record in Capturing Crooks and Recovering Stolen Property All City Covered By This Body

One of the most important details of the detective bureau is the pawnshop detail. It is through the work of this organization that most of the loot taken by burglars and robbers is recovered.

When a burglar or a robber gets any thing beside money they have to convert it into cash, and the only place they can do this is by pawning it. Sometimes a piece here and a piece there, not too much to excite the suspicion of the pawnshop man.

Under the system adopted by all large cities the pawnshops, being under the jurisdiction of the

ship or take the loot to some other town and dispose of it there, but gradually the police departments throughout the country are getting to work in closer harmony and exchange data that assists each one to help the other recover property stolen in one place and sold in another.

The pawnshop detail of the San Francisco Police Department recovers on an average of nearly \$150,000 annually.

Take the last quarterly report. The total loss by theft was \$132,000. All of this but \$18,000 was recovered. Of the \$114,000 recovered the



Top Row, Left to Right—George Hippely, A. B. Reihl, John J. Callaghan, Ernest Gable. Front Row—George O'Brien, James Regan, Lieutenant Henry Powell, George Stallard, Jere Dinan

police commission or the head of the police department, have to file daily a report of all business done, give a record and description of each and every article pledged to them during the day or night.

In this city this system is carried out to the letter. The detail in charge of Lieutenant Henry Powell, consists of Sergeant Jere Dinan, Detective Sergeant James Regan, Corporal John J. Callaghan, Detectives A. B. Reihl, George Hippely, George Stallard, Ernest Gable, and George O'Brien as clerk.

These men have certain districts which they keep a constant check. They take the articles pledged in the various shops in their district and make comparisons with articles reported stolen, and in this way thousands and thousands of dollars have been recovered that the owners thought would never be returned to them.

Of course there are times when the thief will

pawnshop detail got \$36,000 back. Other details such as the auto detail rounded up a large share in the way of recovering stolen machines, the burglary and robbery detail got a large portion of the recovery.

To illustrate how the detail works and on what slender clues they have to depend upon at all times we will recite one case.

Clarence P. Murray, Walter Huff and Robert Grant were three criminals who had operated in this city, Eureka, Oakland, Alameda and Portland. They got away with some \$20,000 in this city alone. They worked fast, do a job here then jump and pull off another in some other city, selling the swag they got in the first place in the second they hit. It was difficult for the police to get a trace of them, but like all criminals they made a mistake.

One of the gang pawned a cigarette case stolen

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Chief O'Brien Talks On The Radio

*Makes Address to Thousands of Radio Fans Throughout the West at Meeting of the Public Spirit Club
Tells of Work of Our Department*



Chief of Police
Daniel J. O'Brien

Brother Peace Officers and Friends who may be within the radius of this message. I am indebted for the privilege of being permitted to say a few words over the radio, to the membership of a splendid organization which exists in San Francisco known as the Public Spirit Club under whose auspices this program is being carried out tonight.

While mentioning the fact that this program is under the auspices of the Public Spirit Club I cannot refrain at this time from making a few remarks concerning the part that organization has played in San Francisco's public life. Indeed, the designation speaks for itself and during the time it has been organized in San Francisco it has taken a leading part in every event tending toward the advancement of this city. Without being selfish, however, I can as the Chief Executive of the San Francisco Police Department state without hesitation that in every affair calling for public spirit the membership of the San Francisco Police Department has not been the least important factor. While it may appear that my statements are based upon pride and loyalty to my department it is only the assertion of a truism when I mention the fact to you that in every movement (whether national, state or municipal), when the members of the San Francisco Police Department were called upon to do their part, they did it in a manner meriting the highest praise from the people of our city. Indeed, it is well for us to bear in mind that a police department to be successful must keep step with the times.

The old type of policeman whose only calling in life was to apprehend criminals and prosecute them before the courts no longer prevails under the democratic institutions of American government. Police officers should take an interest in every phase of public life, not alone in the prevention of crime and in the safeguarding of life and property but in making their respective municipalities or towns (as the case may be) greater, bigger and better in the interest of the state and nation. Should the call arise at any time as to the participation in ceremonies wherein children are concerned it should be a part of their life, not alone their duty, to render every possible service

as citizens, who are interested in civic progress, so, that the rising generation may cherish and preserve the splendid republican institutions transmitted to them from the fathers of our nation.

Police departments and more particularly the police departments of the larger cities are well organized and being of a semi-military nature their efforts can be unified so that prompt responses will be made to every call. That our San Francisco Police Department has functioned in this respect I only need make mention of the fact that during the recent World War, when our national integrity was at stake, the members of this department took a leading part in every drive (whether in the sale of Liberty Bonds or raising funds for the American Red Cross or for other private organizations who were doing national welfare work).

Numerous other instances could be mentioned, and my only object in mentioning these few is to show that police departments to properly function in American life must not confine their activities to the pursuit of criminals, but must at all times be ready, able and willing to lend a helping hand on every occasion wherein the state or nation will be benefited. It is also well for us to remember that public spirit is the thing which moves our nation.

Police departments of our state, and in fact of our entire nation, are subject to the will of the people when expressed in the manner laid down by the charters and constitutions of our states. We are in the final analysis the public servants of our people. We of the San Francisco Police Department are indeed the public servants of a worthy people as we have never called upon them at any time for legislation tending to improve our departmental conditions that was not granted by an overwhelming vote. I feel, as does every other member of the department, that there is a reciprocal duty owing to them and on this account you can readily understand why we find ourselves at home in taking our place in any program held under the auspices of the Public Spirit Club or kindred organization.

My advice to every peace officer, based upon police experiences of almost two decades, is that police service, when faithfully and conscientiously rendered, has its own reward, and even the honor of being allowed to take part in such a program as this held this week is one to feel proud

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New State Traffic Laws

CAPTAIN HENRY GLEESON, *Head of the San Francisco Traffic Bureau Analyzes Motor Vehicle Acts Passed by Last Legislature*



Capt. Henry Gleeson

Now that Senate Bill No. 743 known as the "Breed Bill" has become a law through the signature of Governor Richardson, it might be well for us to discuss a few sections of this law, which will be known as the State Motor Vehicle Law, in force and effect until changed by some future legislative acts.

Throughout the past sessions of the Legislature of 1922-23 this bill of Senator Arthur Breed of Alameda County was the cause of much agitation to the many different interests that are involved in automobile legislation.

These various interests may be referred to as:

1st—The Peace Officers of the State of California.

2nd—The Automobile Associations of Northern and Southern California.

3rd—Automobile manufacturers and dealers.

4th—Motor truck interests.

5th—Motor vehicle tire interests.

The peace officers being only interested in such amendments as were for the protection of life and property, believed that from experience many of the laws of 1921-22 were faulty or entirely inadequate to give peace officers legal power of supervision and enforcement to cope with the different and varied phases of crime identified with motor vehicles, found themselves opposed in their efforts by interests and persons who could not see the benefits of such amendments to the entire people and who were fearful of imaginary results or personal inconvenience.

Many persons would not understand, and many could not. While the peace officers were unable to accomplish all that was desired yet many amendments vital to the protection of automobilists and pedestrians have been adopted.

When these new laws are placed in effect and enforced their good for all will soon be apparent and I am hoping that in their obedience and enforcement motorists will find greater security and greater pleasure in driving on the streets and highways of this State.

Great effort was made by the Peace Officers' Association to have a very radical change made in the system of obtaining permits for all operators of motor vehicles.

The amendments requiring examination of

ability to operate a motor vehicle, for photographs and finger prints of all operators, and for the increase of the age limit for all operators, seemed to be too far advanced or too drastic, to many of the legislators and the amendments were rejected, excepting that the age of operators was advanced to fourteen years of age, and that chauffeurs must be at least sixteen years of age.

These ages almost entirely nullify and destroy the purposes desired by the Peace Officers of California for the protection of the people against irresponsible youthful operators of motor vehicles and until such time as it will be better understood that children are not competent as a class to operate a dangerous vehicle to the peace and security of the people, we must be content.

The arguments against the increase in ages were such, that the peace officers knew that the viewpoint of parents of interior towns was different from that of residents of congested cities, and that no common ground could be found upon which an agreement could be reached therefore the peace officers of larger cities were compelled to give away.

Among the many changes that have been made, the following are perhaps some that are necessary for police officers to be most familiar with:

That speed limits are not changed excepting that on an open highway outside of residential and business districts, thirty-five (35) miles per hour is allowable both day and night. Under the old law only thirty (30) miles was allowable at night.

Signals to stop or turn must be given continuously during the last fifty (50) feet before turning or stopping. (Note the word continuously).

Vehicles may pass a standing street car at 10 miles per hour if there is a six (6) feet clearance between the car and the closest fender or side of a motor vehicle.

No parking is allowed in front of the driveway of either a public or private garage. This is entirely new and affects cities particularly.

Operators of vehicles involved in any case in which any person is killed or injured must report the same to the police department of a city and if there is no such police department then to the Sheriff of the County.

All motor vehicles must pay a flat registration fee of Three (3) dollars a year. Commercial vehicles must pay a weight fee of from \$10.00 to

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Some Murder Cases

LESLIE C. GILLEN *Writes About Work of Two Members of Detective Bureau. Work of These Men Bring Them from Station to Headquarters*



Leslie C. Gillen

A murder was all in a day's work when Detective Michael Desmond was the Harbor Station's special duty man along the waterfront. And later on, when Barth Kelleher became his partner, it was just the same.

A murder—a shooting or a stabbing or a shove overboard—it was all the same to the special duty men on the waterfront, something to be expected ever so often and something that always happened.

The waterfront is a sort of a melting pot of all nations and when nations as a whole cannot get along and stoop to killing and slaying on a wholesale plan, how then, can anything else be expected of individuals representing all nations when they are thrown together in a district like the waterfront, with its docks and piers, its cheap saloons and lodging houses, its foreboding dark alleys and its nooks and corners?

Every night was a "fine night for a murder" in those days and so, when a murder was done it was nothing for "Mike" Desmond or his partner to get excited over. It was merely a diversion from the usual wharf and warehouse thefts so numerous along the waterfront, a little heavier case.

And during the six years he served as special duty man on the front, Desmond and whoever his partner happened to be—for the past several years it was his present partner, Barth Kelleher—cleaned up six murders, a murder a year.

Desmond and Kelleher are equally proud of this record, and it is not undue pride, for others noticed it and it was chiefly the reason why Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson applied to the late Chief D. A. White to transfer Desmond and Kelleher into the detective bureau. And in the bureau they have been ever since, for several years now, specializing on waterfront cases.

If a vessel comes sailing through the gate flying the distress or mutiny signal, Desmond and Kelleher are dispatched on the job and go out in the police launch to quell the mutiny or whatever strange going on it is. There is no instance on record when they did not settle matters satisfactorily to all hands save, perhaps, the evil doers. A mutiny is a cinch to those boys.

To fully appreciate that these statements are not in the least exaggerated, our reader will have

to be more intimately acquainted with Mike and Barth.

Anyone who has ever met Mike Desmond can hardly forget him. He is more than a big man—he is a giant. He stands six feet and a shade over four inches in height and he carries enough pounds over 200 to disqualify a jockey in almost every derby. That's Mike!

Anyone who had ever met Barth Kelleher can hardly forget him for his soft, whimsical Irish smile. Barth's growth wasn't stunted in his



Detectives Barth Kelleher and Michael Desmond

youth, either. He does not lack very much in either height or width the giant proportions of his partner.

Mike Desmond is, despite his size, which is inclined to make a man clumsy, a clever boxer and as quick and agile on his feet as a lightweight, which is surprising. His favorite pastime is swimming and in the summer time morning and evening he takes a dip at the foot of Van Ness avenue.

Barth is perhaps as good a man as one could hope to find anywhere for a partner in a rough and tumble fight and as quick to sense a situation as a mindreader. Both men are Irish, as might be suspected from their names, and anyone will agree that this stock makes good policemen.

Culprits, crooks, the doers of dark deeds, seem to like Barth Kelleher and take to him quicker than to Mike Desmond. There are two reasons for this, one being Kelleher's soft smile and quieter ways, and the other reason is their fear of Mike Desmond. Mike's scowl and his bulky gigantic self to back it up is a night mare to an evil doer. And Barth Kelleher's advice to the crook is:

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How Crooks Are Caught

IRVING B. BRUCE, *Captain of Detectives of Colorado Springs., Colo., Tells How Local Detectives Assisted in Solving Murder and Running Down the Murderer*



Capt. Irving B. Bruce

There is an old saying that murder will out. But if police departments and a spirit of co-operation between various police forces were eliminated there would be few criminals captured who take human life. One of the most striking instances in which co-operation between police departments aided in the running to earth of a murderer was broadcasted to the world, through the medium of the press, in November of 1905, when Milton Franklin Andrews was trailed to his hiding place in San Francisco by the officers of that city, acting upon information furnished by the Colorado Springs police who wanted Andrews for the brutal slaying of his paramour, Bessie Bouton.

A large part of the credit for the running to earth of Andrews is given without stint to Michael V. Burke, now a detective sergeant of the San Francisco department, and an officer who always will find a warm welcome awaiting him in the metropolis of the Pikes Peak region.

On December 17, 1904, Colorado Springs was startled by news of a brutal murder having been committed on Cutler mountain, about ten miles from the city. A party of engineers on a surveying trip found the nude body of a woman in a spot on the mountain seldom, if ever, visited in those days. The body was frozen and was discolored from fire and exposure to the elements.

Led by Chief William S. Reynolds of the Colorado Springs police department, David F. Law, Coroner of El Paso County, and Stanley Burno, Chief of Detectives, of Colorado Springs, a search was started that lasted for many months. The mountains of the Pikes Peak region were combed for a clue. No trace of the identity of the dead woman was found.

The woman had some unusual dental work consisting of gold crowns, bridge work and numerous fillings of gold. A skilled dental surgeon extracted both upper and lower jaw bones and made a complete diagram or chart of the dental work. A copy of the chart was sent to all police departments in the country with a request that they inquire of dentists with a view to ascertaining who had done the work. The chart also was published

in The Dental Summary, The Dental Cosmos and similar publications.

Several months elapsed during which the Colorado Springs authorities were running down clues, all false. Finally a dentist in Detroit reported to the police department there that the work described in our circular corresponded to dental work he had done for a woman calling herself Bessie Bouton of Syracuse, N. Y. The police there were notified and relatives of Bessie Bouton later came to Colorado Springs and claimed the body, taking it east for burial.

After the identity of the woman was learned it was discovered that her traveling companion and undoubtedly her slayer was Milton Franklin Andrews, alias Brush Franklin, alias George Bouton, alias George Barnett, who was known among high class gamblers as "Long Shot" or Hi Andrews.

Andrews was traced from Colorado Springs to Denver, from there his trail led east where it could be picked up in many places. Later he went to Australia, returning by way of the Pacific and landing in San Francisco.

The San Francisco police department was notified by Chief W. S. Reynolds of Colorado Springs that Andrews was probably in the vicinity of the Golden Gate. In the meantime Andrews and a woman using the name of Nulda Oliva Petrie, believed to have been Julia Ward and who was possibly the daughter of the notorious "Plunger" Howard, had stepped into the limelight through the robbery and attempted murder of a William C. Ellis at Berkeley on October 11, 1905.

Detective Michael V. Burke and his partner, Detective Smith, were assigned to the case. They eventually located a woman rooming at 748 McAllister Street whom they suspected of being associated with Andrews. The department made plans to capture the pair. Assistance was given Burke and his partner. The window of the room where they suspected Andrews was hiding was guarded by Detective Tom Gibson while Detective Burke, Smith and Freely, disguised as plumbers, entered the room for the ostensible purpose of inspecting a number of new installations. And, my friend Detective Sergeant Burke, so I learn, even crawled under the bed.

Nulda Oliva Petrie was there but Andrews could not be seen. A bed was pushed against the door

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He Was Slick But He Fell

DETECTIVES GREGSON and LIPPI *Snag Wise Crook Who Worked Whole Country Before Coming Here Was Caught After Pulling First Job*

We have often remarked in this magazine that the crook who tries his game in San Francisco is in hard luck. They come here, start up their racket, and get away with a few stunts, when the police get a line on them and they wind up on the fifth floor of the Hall of Justice. Each month we present a few of the many remarkable cases that are cleaned up here, and each month we will continue to do so.

In this article we call attention to the work of two members of the detective bureau, assigned to the burglary detail, James Gregson and Joseph Lippi.

Last April this pair was handed a "kick" by their boss, Sergeant Richmond Tatham, that had to do with the burglarizing of a house in the Richmond district.

Their investigation revealed the fact that the woman who had made the report was in the habit of going out to the ocean beach each afternoon and in company with a woman friend enjoy the sun and sea and sew.

One afternoon a well dressed, polished young gent came along in a Cole car which he said he wanted to sell. He got the attention of the woman by quoting a low price. He offered to take in exchange her car. She showed him her car and he made a stall at appraising it. He, in reality, wanted to get the license numbers. Getting them he got the lady's address from the State Motor Department. The next afternoon he went out to the beach and saw the woman with her friend. He did not stop but went to her home, satisfying himself that she was away and would be at the beach for some time. Arriving at the address he found an unlocked window, entered the house and stole \$2500 worth of furs, jewelry and clothing.

The owner remembered that the Cole car the young man drove bore a Nevada license. The two detectives went to the Motor Department and were told by James Britt, in charge of inspectors that the owner of the Cole had been in less than a half hour and got the registry changed giving an address on Haight street. Finding no one with the name given for the address given, the detectives sent out the word to all cities to be on the lookout for the Cole car.

The same night while standing at Van Ness and Market, Lippi and Gregson, with Inspector Britt, saw the Cole car they were seeking go by with a lady at the wheel. They followed and on

overtaking her found she was wearing a fur coat stolen from the Richmond district house. She was arrested and it developed that she was a lady barber. Her place of business on Sixth street was watched and the two detectives were rewarded in intercepting a telegram addressed to her by one Earl Davis from Reno. The wires were put to work and Mr. Davis was arrested in the Nevada city.

When brought back by Gregson and Britt it developed that his aliases ran like this: Stevens, Rawlins, Carroll, George Harrington, "Cadillac Pete."

The last name he got when he stole an automo-



Detectives James Gregson and Joseph Lippi

bile of that make in Jacksonville, Florida, where he was wanted for breaking his parole. He also is wanted by the United States Marshal's office for robbing a deputy U. S. marshal in Illinois.

He specialized in Cadillacs and Cole cars, having a set of dies to change the numbers so he could make transfers when needed.

Gregson and Lippi have recovered nine Coles throughout the United States which Davis stole.

The value of the stolen cars and other property recovered by the two detectives and which taken by Davis totals over \$25,000.

Davis, when he confessed, told of an incident in Los Angeles. He sold a stolen car for \$1800, taking a check for \$1100. The check was no good, so Davis used a duplicate key to the car, drove it out of a Los Angeles garage and resold it.

Davis is awaiting sentence now and when he does his stretch across the bay he will be taken in charge by the Federal officers.

He was frank in saying that Gregson and Lippi outsmarted him.

Athletes of Our Department

By EVELYN WELLS, Who Writes First of a Series of Articles Dealing With San Francisco Policemen in the Field of Sports

"What's all this I hear about the police force being reinforced with ex-champions?" I demanded of Captain Bill Quinn during a spare moment in the Chief's ante-room.

The Captain's eye glittered at this. Next to the police force, I think, he loves boxing. He is a rare hand at the gloves himself, although he never entered professional circles.



Evelyn Wells

"It's correct," said Captain Quinn. "The force is crowded with boys who used to be great stuff on the canvas. Look at Stelzner, and Charlie Goff—dozens of others.

"What's more, we're bringing in new ones all the time. Heard about the new Athletic Training School for policemen? Haven't? Well, here are the pictures to prove it. Fifteen new members of the force in the first class, that opened May 25th.

"You know how strong Chief O'Brien is on athletics. So the force decided it needed a school. Sergeant Pat McGee, Commissioner Jesse B. Cook and the Chief were out in full force on opening day—Pat in the nature of instructor.

"School was held at the North Beach Playground at Greenwich and Powell. We had classes in calisthenics, and scientific handcuffing and wrestling. A technical knowledge of the scientific wrestling holds is indispensable to a good officer.

"Then we had pursuit races. One officer chased another, who was supposed to be a criminal and if he didn't catch him in an allotted space, the other brought him in.

"From now on all arrivals in the force will be put through this course. McGee will do the training assisted by Jack Cannon and Peter Maloney of the general office.

"Jack Cannon, who is attached to the auto detail of the detective bureau and assigned to the shotgun squad, was the middleweight champion of the middlewest until about 1911. He defended his tittle through the east with considerable success, and retired undefeated from the boxing game.

"Jack is the boy who discovered Ad Santel, light heavyweight champion wrestler of the world. And he showed Santel his first wrestling tricks, for Jack was about as good a wrestler as a fighter and it took a mighty fine man to defeat him at either game.

"He retired from the ring to take up his work as a police officer, and he made as much a success of that as he did of boxing.

"Another prominent fighter who entered the police department was Charles Goff, now Captain of Police, and in command of Southern police station. He was a middleweight, and such a good scrapper that time and time again he was forced out of his weight to fight heavyweights. Captain Goff helped train and get into condition some of the best heavyweights in the country, about twenty years ago.

"He also retired from the squared circle to add his name to the lists of the police, and was appointed to the department in the year 1904.

"And still another great fighter was Jack Stelzner. He is now Sergeant of Police at Southern station. One of his greatest fights was against Alex Gregains, who was then one of our top notch heavies.

"Gregains and Stelzner fought to a draw in a terrific twenty rounds at the old Woodward's Gardens, then at 14th and Valencia streets. Later, Jack was the first string trainer of Bob Fitzsimmins, who was one of the greatest heavyweights that ever lived.

"Jack trained several other fighters who attained prominence, and himself toured the country, fighting with considerable success. He was appointed to the department in 1901.

"Next time I'll tell you about the ring career of Frank McConnell and some of the other boys of the force who were once stars of the ring."

Officer "Jimmy" Kenney

Mission Policeman Known as the "Mission Trouble Shooter" Does a Different Kind of Police Duty Than Most People Expect

Police Officer "Jimmy" Kenney, the "trouble shooter" of the Mission as he is known from one end of the district to the other, from Market street to the bay.

The kids all know him, the mothers know him, many a dad knows him, the guy that was down and out and wanted a job, and got it, knows him; many a poor family knows him, and loves him, all the dogs know him, and they are all for "Jimmy" Kenney.

For over ten years Jimmy has been assigned to the Mission station, first as patrol wagon driver and in 1917 as a regular police officer. Captain O'Meara put him to driving the day "jitney," and no better selection could be made.

A telephone comes in to the station telling of the breaking of a window by some small boys playing ball. Jimmy is shot out. He gets the parties of the first part and the party of the second part together. He makes the irate landlord remember the time he was a boy and before long he has said landlord playing ball with the boys.

Another phone comes in. A band of boys have a fight. Jimmy beats it out and seeing the battle is over gets the belligerents together and makes them friends.

A man comes along. He looks seedy, looks hungry, looks down on his luck. Jimmy gives him a tumble. Finds out what's the matter. The man is out of work, wants a job. Jimmy hits the phone. "Go down to this place" (handing an address). "You can get a job there." The man goes to the address, and it is said in the Mission Jimmy never misses, his man always gets a job. Many a man out there is working because Jimmy Kenney felt a little human sympathy, and could forget his position in life long enough to find out that some poor devil wanted and needed a job.

The men who have jobs to give all know Jimmy and they take his word for any man he sends in.

A woman phones the station her boy is not home for lunch. Jimmy cranks over the old jit, sees the mother, assures her he will get her boy for her. And he does.

Another mother can't get her lad to go to school. He "plays hookey." Jimmy is given the "kick." He gets hold of the boy, and in a short time he points out, without hurting the lad's feelings, that he had better go to school.

If Jimmy and his wife lived anywhere but Sixteenth and Valencia streets they would have to get

a lot for the dogs that have adopted the officer. He gets a wag of the tail from every canine in the district. They know Jimmy is their friend. Maybe the dog has postponed a few meals. Jimmy will dig him up a feed. If the dog is well fed he gets a pat on the head.

But where Officer Jimmy shines most is helping the poor families out in the Mission. He hears of many a sad case. Urgent cases, families without food, sickness in their midst, no wood or coal. The dapper little officer gets busy. He rounds up food, and fuel, a doctor if necessary and medicine when needed. His work in this line has attracted so much attention in the Mission that he has but to ask and he gets the things needed to relieve some worthy family down on their luck.

We hope the Mission will have for many years Jimmy Kenney, the trouble shooter, the policeman who smoothes out the troubles of so many, and whose deeds are hidden by a modesty that prevents only a few of them being known.



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The Story About Coffee

By H. G. HILLS. *Coffee Being One of the Most Important Articles of Our Daily Diet, This Story Will Prove Extremely Interesting*

While the early history of coffee is somewhat obscure, the consensus of opinion is that the world is indebted to Africa for coffee. Although the article did not come into use as a beverage until about the fifteenth century, it is supposed to have been introduced from that country into Arabia previous to the year 900 A. D. About the year 1650 coffee first appeared in England where it met with popular favor, and many Coffee Houses were established. During the next one hundred years the growing of coffee spread into all parts of the tropical world and today coffee is used by practically every civilized nation of the world and the yearly production runs into the millions of bags.

Coffee trees are propagated from seeds and sometimes by bending down the lower branches of a tree and burying the tops in the earth. In about four months roots form, the branches cut and the new plants placed closely together in loosely-woven bamboo baskets. They are ready for transplanting in about a year, and are then placed in the ground without removing the basket. By this method from four to five months are gained as compared with planting seeds. A tree commences to bear coffee when about two years old, but does not come into full bearing until after four years.

Every year a certain amount of new wood is produced. That is, the tops of the branches grow longer and the new wood of one season will grow coffee the next, the old branches decreasing in production as the new increase. Trees when too old are cut nearly to the ground and in two years will re-grow. Some planters say that the useful life of a tree is about forty years.

There is, of course, a widespread variation as to the amount of production, from a few ounces to about six pounds, but over a period of several years averages about three pounds per tree. When it is learned that the average yearly production of coffee for the world during the last ten years amounts to 17,413,400 bags, approximately 132 pounds each, one may understand the enormous amount of capital and labor given over to this industry.

Coffee grows upon the tree in a form similar to a cluster of cherries. The cherries each contain two berries or "coffee beans," and shrivel and dry as the time for picking approaches. In the picking, men, women and children strip the fruit from the branches into baskets, one man picking about

thirty pounds a day under good conditions. From the baskets the coffee is placed in heaps, sifted from leaves and sticks, and then transported to the drying grounds.

In the drying process the cherries are spread as evenly and thinly as possible upon cement floors in the air and sunlight. Every morning, after the dew is dried, the coffee is raked over to insure thorough sunning.

The outer covering of the coffee berry is a tough hull. The two beans lie in the cherry with the flat faces together, and are each covered with a delicate parchment. To remove all of these coverings the coffee, after being dried, is repeatedly run through fanning and hulling machines, which remove the hulls, pulp, skins, sticks, and leaves and complete the finished green product. By the "washed" process the coffee is placed in water, the imperfect berries floated off and the pulp softened for the hulling and cleaning machines which follow.

Clean, green coffee is the coffee of commerce, and when it has reached this stage the work of the planter is finished. It is packed in heavy bags for transportation.

The United States consumes more coffee than any other nation, and the people annually pay more than \$300,000,000 for their breakfast drink.

After its arrival in the United States the coffee is carefully sampled and graded by experts who blend one coffee with another to develop certain flavors that cannot be obtained in any other way. The coffee is then carefully mixed and allowed to age for a considerable period to improve the flavor. During the last quarter century there has been a big improvement in the quality of coffee. First, because of better methods of production, and second and most important, by new developments in the process of manufacture. Today coffee roasting and packing plants are equipped with all kinds of modern machinery and labor-saving equipment, the coffee being put through processes comparatively unknown a few years ago.

The roasting of coffee is one of the most important operations through which coffee is put, for the full development of flavor is dependent upon a proper roasting process. The methods used by different manufacturers vary widely, but always under the supervision of experts.

In order that coffee will always produce the same amount of strength and flavor when it is

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Crime Wave of Winter of 1877

By PETER FANNING, *San Francisco Police Officer, Whose Series of Interesting Historical Stories Have Become a Feature of DOUGLAS 20. Others Will Follow*



Peter Fanning

How familiar is the remark today that a "wave of crime" is sweeping over the community. It means, ordinarily, that an unusual number of the vicious — thieves, murderers and assorted crooks have gathered in a community and are plying their evil trades with more than ordinary activity. Immediately the cry goes up for increased police protection and invariably there is a quick response from the ever ready, and active department.

This is a condition which occurs with uncertain, but never failing frequency, and we must assume that it will continue, to be met and controlled by the department as in the past.

In the winter of 1877, however, a veritable "tidal wave" of crime swept over San Francisco, the equal of which has perhaps never since been experienced by this city. Criminals from all parts of the United States, many fresh from the disturbed condition of Chicago and other large Eastern centers, drifted into our city in large numbers. The "brake beam specials" were crowded to capacity, until there was gathered in this city as complete and varied an assortment of murderers, garroters, burglars and highwaymen as could be found in any place in the world.

The gentlemen of the mask and gun were not long in making their presence felt. A number of daring robberies and burglaries, accompanied by murders when occasion required, soon brought a storm of protest from the citizens, and a cry for additional police protection. The small force available in those days did their utmost to cope with this flood of violence and crime, but as there was not a sufficiency of men to properly patrol the city, and as during portions of the day and night there were no officers on duty at all, this fact became quickly known to the visiting crooks, and their crimes were timed largely to correspond with the lack of police protection.

Conditions became so serious that a special citizens' organization was effected to co-operate with the police in protecting the lives and property of the people of the community, and after a number of the principal offenders had been convicted and consigned to the "big house" across the bay, the "tidal wave" gradually subsided, and normal conditions again prevailed.

The result of this extraordinary outbreak of

crime impressed most forcibly upon the people the necessity of increased police protection for this city, with the result that the next session of the Legislature increased the police force to four hundred members, thereby adding materially to the security and protection of the community.

One of the most spectacular of the many crimes which attracted wide attention during the '70's, was that of the widely known Joe Duncan, the notorious banker who accomplished the wrecking of the Pioneer Land and Loan Bank.

This institution, which was located at the corner of Montgomery and California streets, upon the site afterwards occupied by the ill-fated California Safe Deposit & Trust Company, was one of the prominent financial institutions of its day. As general manager, Duncan used the bank's funds to finance a number of ill-advised speculations, and when the finances of the bank were at low ebb, in an effort to withstand the gathering financial storm, he undertook to raise a number of certificates of stock of the safe deposit company affiliated with the bank. Duncan raised one 10 share certificate to 1020, and sold it to an unsuspecting broker for \$13,000.00 and he raised another certificate of two shares to two hundred shares, and disposed of that for a large sum of money to another broker.

When the bank was finally forced to close its doors Duncan went into hiding, and his forgeries then soon became known. The wildest excitement prevailed. The entire police force was pressed into service to apprehend the fugitive. Outgoing vessels and vessels at anchor in the harbor were searched as it was generally believed that he would attempt to follow the usual route of defaulters in those days of sailing in some outgoing ship.

Several weeks were consumed in the search, but without avail, and the papers of the day were beginning to severely criticize the police force for permitting Duncan to escape, when the astute Captain Lees, who had been quietly working on the case and keeping counsel with himself, succeeded in locating Duncan's hiding place. Taking with him a few of his men, at midnight, on February 24th of 1878, they entered the doorway of the premises, 509 Kearny street, and soon gained entrance to the floors above. Reaching the third floor, Captain Lees quietly knocked on the door and then walked calmly in as if invited, and there, lying on a cot in a remote corner of

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THE LEGISLATURE

The legislature that adjourned last month enacted some changes in the motor vehicle laws that are considered of great benefit to the public at large. These beneficial changes were brought about more through the efforts of the State Peace Officers' Association than anything else. The officers of the state watched every bill that went through and proposed many more and they were given the most attentive consideration by the law makers who have come to realize that men who devote their lives to police work are in a better position to judge what is best for the most, than any one else.

This realization on the part of our state is not confined to our own law makers, but through the work of the International Association of Chiefs of Police who met this month in Buffalo, N. Y., the legislatures as well as the national congress are beginning to look to the men who police our cities and towns for advice on what sort of legislation is necessary and the work of the International Association to unify the laws for the whole country

will bear fruit ere many more summers pass by.

By co-operation only can the organized as well as the free lance crook be properly dealt with.

FOUND IN SAN FRANCISCO

As a stranger in this beautiful city, two things are quite noticeable to me. One is that the women of San Francisco won't accept a man's seat in a street car when it is offered to them. Why is this? I have been giving up my seat in street cars to the women for thirty years and it seems strange to me when offered here it is not accepted.

The other thing most noticeable is the never-failing courtesy of the San Francisco policemen, and especially the officers of the busy traffic squad. As a stranger I often have to ask to be directed to a street or building or car and on every occasion the officer from whom I asked the information gave it to me courteously, kindly and correctly. For this reason I say San Francisco can well be proud of the personnel of her Police Department. I am sure there is none better in the country.—R. P. P. in San Francisco Bulletin.

BUICK BOOSTER AND DOUGLAS 20

Advertising pays when the medium used reaches people who read and study the ads. That Douglas "20" has merit from an advertising standpoint is proved by a letter received by the Howard Automobile Co. regarding an advertisement which appeared in the April issue of Douglas "20." Furthermore, this communication was sent from New York, which shows that the new magazine of the local Police Department has a wide circulation. From coast to coast and from the Mexican border to the Canadian line, the people now watch for Douglas "20."

Following is a verbatim copy of the letter:

New York City, May 19, 1923.

Mr. R. F. Thompson,
Manager, Howard Automobile Co.,
Dear Mr. Thompson:—

Just allow me to congratulate you on your advertisement in the San Francisco Police Magazine Douglas "20." I have been away from San Francisco for several months and have missed my BUICK very much indeed.

Every time I see a Buick "ad" I long for the Golden Gate. Last evening I ran into a copy of the San Francisco Police Department Magazine Douglas "20" and saw your fine advertisement. The temptation was too much. I had to sit down and write you a few lines.

I have owned four Buicks in the last eight years. They are the best cars built.

Wishing the Buick continued success, I beg to be,

Very sincerely yours,

DR. O. S. KUCICH.

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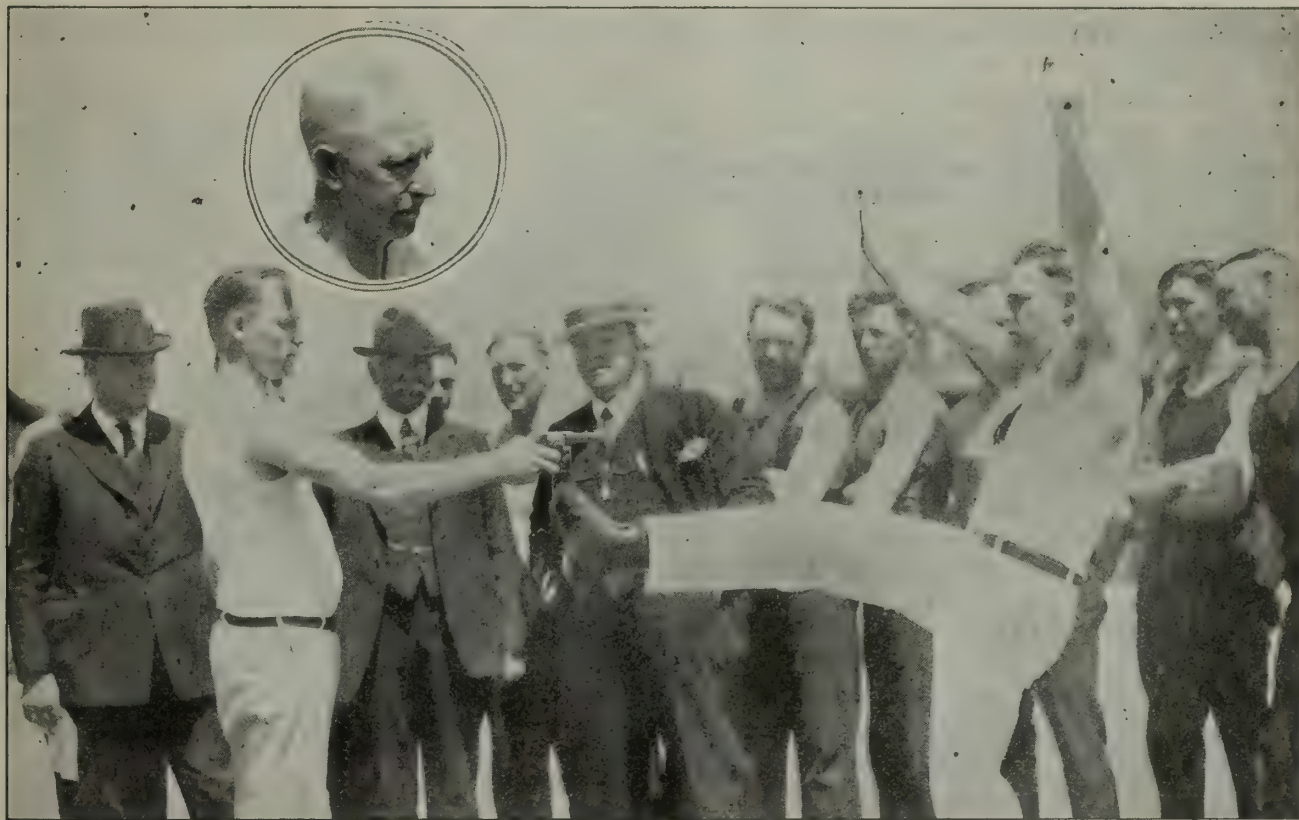
Realizing that physical perfection makes for better mental attainment, and that a combination of both is necessary in police work Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien and the Board of Police Commission has started a system of intensive training along athletic lines.

This training is to keep the men fit as well as make them acquainted with all the tricks of self defense as well as offensive work. By the courses outlined a man may be so proficient in handling men and at the same time take care of himself that he will have to rely on nothing in dealing

Jack Cannon has made an enviable reputation as a boxer and a wrestler and he has always displayed keen interest in these particular forms of endeavor, as well as in other branch of sports.

The three instructors will devote the first few weeks of their training to recruits to the department and the list of those who must undergo a course of training will be widened each week until every man in the department will have had some instruction along athletic lines that will make him skillful in handling bad men.

The classes are held in the North Beach play-



Officer Peter Maloney (left) and Jack Cannon (right) giving exhibition of disarming gunman by use of foot. Capt. Wm. Quinn, Commissioner Jesse Cook, Chief O'Brien and Recruits looking on. Insert Sergeant Patrick McGee, Chief Instructor

with criminals but his own trained physical prowess.

The Chief has detailed Sergeant Patrick McGee of the business office to take charge of training the men. The Sergeant has selected as his aids Detective Jack Cannon of the automobile detail and Officer Peter R. Maloney.

In these men no better could be obtained for the work that has to be done. McGee always an active athlete, knowing all the ins and outs of the ring, mat, and field athletics, has an ability to impart such knowledge to others that but few men possess.

grounds each week the first being held last month, when Commissioners Theodore Roche, Jesse B. Cook, Dr. Thomas Shumate, Andrew Mahony, Chief Daniel J. O'Brien, Captain William Quinn formally opened the beginning of the school of instruction. Moving pictures were taken as the men were put through the different preliminary exercises, and as McGee and Cannon demonstrated various methods of handling criminals.

All those participating in the work displayed a keen interest in it and it is a cinch that the idea will go over big.



Detective Sergeant Thomas Reagan, Detectives Thomas Conlon, Otto Frederickson and M. O. Dowell, were detailed on June 2 to act as a reception committee for Clara Phillips who was returned to this country after escaping to Honduras, and brought direct to San Quentin. The San Francisco police were asked to lend an escort to the so-called "Hammer Murderess." The members of the detective bureau met her and her party of Los Angeles deputies at Seventh street where the noted lady was loaded into an auto and whisked to the ferry and thence across the bay. Outside of furnishing eye food for a curious crowd the transfer was made without incident. Sergeant Reagan says about the sorriest thing in the world is a pretty woman in prison regalia.

The police department tug of war team went down to San Carlos the first part of the month and gave an exhibition of what brain and brawn can do for the edification of the multitudes who attended the Pageant of Progress. The opposing team was made up of San Mateo county heavies, with William Brown of the old American team as anchor man. The policemen yanked their way to victory. The boys who upheld the department's reputation was made up of the following: Joseph Walsh, Anthony Kane, Thomas Kelley No. 2, Edward O'Day and Michael Daly.

Detective Sergeant John E. Dolan and Fred Bohr returned last week from Washington where they took back a bevy of postoffice robbers wanted in Olympia and who were arrested here and much of the loot recovered.

Detective John McCausland left the first of the month for Ft. Leavenworth to bring back a prisoner. While away he stopped off in his old Missouri home to visit his mother whom he had not seen in years.

Detective Barth Kelleher went back to Chicago last month to bring back a gent wanted here for murder during one of the strikes several years ago. The party had an aversion to coming back and fought extradition. At last writing Barth was still waiting for the wheels of justice to grind so he could fetch his man to look into the countenances of twelve jurors.

Motorcycle Officer Fred Bowerman is laid up with serious injuries received when a driver of an automobile he was chasing turned in front of him causing a crash. Bowerman, who is one of the popular bike riders in the department, says he was wheeling along at 62 miles when the accident occurred.

Policeman Ed Gough, the towering Adonis of the Southern station, is one of the largest as well as one of the handsomest officers in the San Francisco department. Beside that he is some policeman, and he has figured in many important cases and catches. He has a reputation south of Market for preventing crime, and there is but little doing by the law breakers on his beat. Ed figures it out that it is better to devote more time doing police duty by stopping and preventing crime than it is to hang around the corridors of the police courts for a case to be called.

Police Officer William Gillmore, president of the Widows' and Orphans' Aid Association, and attached to the automobile detail of the detective bureau is a prominent member of the Native Sons. Last month he was sent as a delegate to the annual convention at Santa Barbara. With his wife he took in the meet and visited many places of interest in Southern California. He says after his experience with the hot weather down south he was mighty glad to get a whiff of the ocean breezes and a mouthful of good old fog.

Don Darling of the Southern station is one of the most conscientious policemen in his district. As a recognition of the excellent work he has done South of Market, Captain Charles Goff has assigned him to the beat from Market to the S. P. station on Fourth street.

Captain Eugene Wall of the Ingleside district says if they keep putting up more of those \$20,000 and \$25,000 homes out in his section he will have to doll his men up in dress suits instead of uniforms. What was once a race track, in one place, and a hound coursing track in another has been transformed into beautiful residence tracts, while down along Mission street the hammer and saw can be heard every day of the week.

Every once in a while a bunch of bandits make serious mistakes in holding up people. They get a policeman off duty instead of an unsuspecting civilian. This happened again the other night. Three stick-up boys stopped Patrolman C. M. White of the North End station while he was coming off duty. The stop was made at Van Ness avenue and Eddy street. White pulled his gun, and when the three saw they had barked up the wrong tree they beat it.

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Thirty sergeants took the examination for promotion to lieutenants held before the civil service commission last month. Those who took the exam say it was a hard test, harder than any ever given before. But as many of the boys have studied hard it is a good bet that over half of them will make the grade in passing. By the next issue of this magazine the list of eligibles ought to be ready.

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Detective Henry Kalmbach, Detective Sergeant John Dolan and Detective Fred Bohr are back from Olympia, Washington, where they presented evidence they worked up against George Conoley and Richard Perry, post office bandits, and who were found guilty by a jury in the Federal courts.

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On the day of June 10th there was a small epidemic of hold-ups by a bevy of youths using a small automobile, out in the Potrero district around Evans avenue.

After about three kicks came in Captain Harry O'Day called Corporal Charles Brown and told him to grab off a few of his trusted boys and go forth to apprehend the youthful crooks.

Charlie, always a stickler for obeying orders, gave the nod to Patrolmen R. J. Hanley and J. J. McTiernan. The three fared forth and this is the program that followed:

4:30 p. m. Arrested Lester Peterson, 21 years.

4:45 p. m. Arrested Edward Beckman, aged 20 years.

5:35 p. m. Arrested Ray Crowley, aged 18.

5:55 p. m. Arrested John Mahoney, aged 19.

6:30 p. m. Arrested Carl Kock, aged 21 years.

These lads were charged with robbery, two, Beckman and Peterson admitted being in five hold-ups that day and night before. Mahoney was positively identified by one of the victims and the other two were accused by other victims but not positively identified at this writing.

This is an example of what the boys on the outside stations are doing all the time, and shows what they are doing in carrying out the Chief's orders that patrolmen must work on all crimes and not leave all the work to special duty men and men from headquarters.

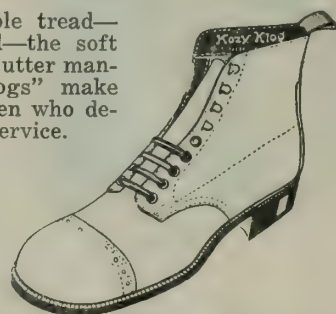
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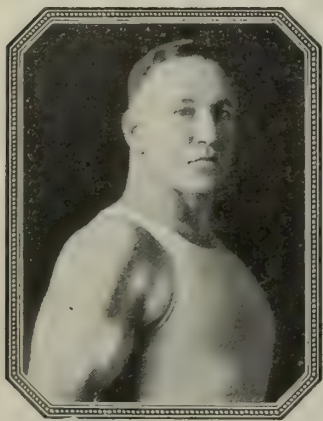
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By AL. WILLIAMS



Al Williams

Every once in a while I receive a letter that gives me more than ordinary satisfaction.

Such a letter is one that comes to me from R. Wallace of Sacramento. I publish it, not because Mr. Wallace says nice things about my work, but because the letter may help others. Here is the letter:

Sacramento, Feb. 9, 1922.

Dear Mr. Williams: I read your articles in Douglas 20 every month and note in one of them recently that sometimes you become discouraged—or words to that effect.

I wish to say that the other fellows should become discouraged, and not you. Listen to this:

I am sixty-one years old. In my youth, I was fond of athletic sports, and was an all around man, better than the average amateur.

After I passed forty years I began to slow up and to take on weight. My average weight between the ages of thirty and forty was 175 pounds, and my height 5 feet 11.

As I slowed down I exercised less and less, and I became lazy, sluggish and nervous.

While in this condition I ate too much, smoked too much, drank too much, and, incidentally, took too much medicine. I was always taking pills and other things like that in the subconscious belief that by so doing I could bring myself to feeling as I did when I was younger and lived more naturally.

Occasionally, I guess, I would part way realize what was the matter with me, and I would brace up and try to exercise for a while, but always I would find it too much of an effort, because of short wind, or backache, or something like that, and I would quit, thinking exercise was not what I needed.

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Then about five months ago you began publishing your articles and I began reading them.

I says to myself, "Something has to be done." I weighed then 245 pounds, and had a big stomach—was, in fact, one big roll of fat. I looked for all the world like a tomato that you'd stuck two matches into and stood up.

Every year I had grippe for several weeks and seemed to have lost all ambition.

I started following your instructions—particularly about eating.

In the morning I ate baked apples, prunes, sliced peaches, figs, and so forth—mostly cooked fruits.

I submitted plain toast and coffee for chops, steaks, ham and potatoes.

I cut down my luncheon and my suppers. But still I never allowed myself to leave the table hungry.

What I cut down mostly on was meat. I eat less meat now in two days than I used to at one meal.

After eating I would stretch a few minutes before getting up out of the chair.

How's This For a Man of Sixty?

Gradually I started exercising early in the morning. At first it tired me out.

But I had made up my mind to keep at it, increasing the exercises from day to day, until now, to make a long story short, I can touch the floor with my hands as many times as I wish, can strike my hands behind my back, can touch my chin with my knees, and, best of all, weigh but 190 pounds.

Every morning, too, I rub myself with a rough towel, and, oh, boy, how fine I feel.

I am an entirely different man, had no sign of grippe this winter, and am not only different in health, but a different man in looks, and I actually look forward with pleasure to my morning exercise.

I don't know you from Adam, Professor, but you have the right dope all right, and I am writing this simply to encourage any man or woman who is suffering from surplus weight as I did for twenty years, and which, for you, I believe, would have had fatal results.

I hope to meet you in the city some day, and when we meet I know you will say, "There's a healthy, athletic-looking young fellow," and, of course, your astonishment would be greater had you known me in my days of obesity and could make comparisons.

Five or six months ago I was a fat, sickly, whining old man, disagreeable and grouchy all the time.

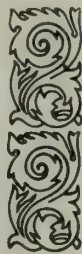
Now I haven't a grouch or a complaint left in me.

Best regards and with sincere thanks for the great good you have done me. R. WALLACE,

TIM CASHIN GETS ANOTHER ONE

Officer Tim J. Cashin of the Bush station is getting so that business is dull if a week goes by and he does not "knockover" a good job.

His latest roundup was one James Dawson. Dawson, it is said, has been working apartment houses for about two years. That is one way of saying he has been robbing them. On Decoration Day morning he ventured forth into new fields.



Police Officer Tim Cashin

He hit the Bush district. Got into the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fack, 1450 Clay street. Mrs. Fack heard a noise and her husband got up in time to see a gent leaping out through one of the windows.

He notified the Bush station. Cashin was given orders to get out the Ford and in less than half an hour after Mr. Burglar was looking out of the bars of one of the oldest stations in the city, and Captain Herbert J. Wright in command won't argue this with us.

On his person was found loot that Fack identified as coming from his home. Dawson was charged with burglary and his case is pending in the police court.

Tim says maybe some of these wise guys will get next that they are on a dead card when they try to play the Bush district either on the day or night shifts.

THE FLAPPER AGAIN

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MANIAC KILLS OFFICER KELLY

Another brave policeman was laid low by a bullet from a law breaker's gun, when Officer Thomas Kelly of the Mission station was shot down by George Paris, escaped lunatic and blackmailer. The shooting occurred at Valencia and McCoppin streets shortly after noon on June 4.

Paris had gone to Levi-Strauss factory on Valencia street with a letter which he had written to the head of the firm demanding money and flourishing two revolvers.

An employee rushed down to Sixteenth and Mission streets where he found Officer William Savage at the crossing. Savage immediately responded to the appeal for assistance and started down Mission street. Nearing Fifteenth, Paris, who had left the factory was seen to go running down Mission toward town. Savage gave chase but was outdistanced and feared to shoot as there were many people on the streets. The maniac, flourishing one pistol, continued on to McCoppin thence down an alley back to Valencia. In the meantime Officer Kelly, who had been advised of the presence of the crazy man, had commandeered an automobile and came upon Paris at Valencia and McCoppin. He did not hesitate to close in on the demented man and as he neared Paris fired two shots point blank, both taking effect. One shattered the liver and another made many perforations in the intestines.

Kelly endeavored to get his man by throwing his gun at him as he fell. Policemen Savage and Ed McSheehy, the latter going to work, appeared at this time and overpowered Paris who put up a terrific struggle.

Kelly was taken to the Emergency Hospital where he was later taken to the San Francisco Hospital, putting up as game a fight for his life as he did in doing his duty. He died Monday, June 11th.

Officer Kelly has been a member of the department for nearly a score of years, and has always been found when needed for any emergency.

Paris escaped from Napa some weeks ago, and was being sought by Detectives George Richards and William O'Brien, they being advised he was headed for San Francisco.

CAPTAIN JOHN MOONEY

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desperateness, he points out, makes the work of the patrolman one of great hazard and calls for men quick of action and on the draw.

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POLICEMEN AT UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

It wasn't so long ago that the idea of a policeman acting as instructor in a modern college would be the opportunity the paragrapher for the daily press was looking for to spring some comical gag. But that day is passed. The University of California which ranks as one of the best and the largest colleges in the country has recognized the necessity of bringing the people and the police closer together. Closer together that the people may understand the problems confronting the policeman, and to teach the man or woman who is getting an education what can be done by the people to help the policeman solve these problems.

Through the incessant labors of Chief of Police August Vollmer of Berkeley, the State University has for several summers now conducted a special course in criminology, in addition to the regular course of the institution.

This summer the sessions dealing with crime and criminals will open on June 25 and extend to and including August 4.

The course of lectures is comprehensive, and includes the following:

Field and Office Methods in Criminal Investigation. Police Administration by Chief Vollmer and Professor E. O. Heinrich.

These lectures will deal with practical training of police officers; assembling of evidence the application of modern equipment to meet different cases; and inside instructions for doing police duty.

From San Francisco a long list of men who have specialized in different crimes have been assigned texts.

Under the general heading "Lectures on Police Administration" directed by Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien and Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson the following men and subjects are given:

"Police Organization"—Chief O'Brien.

Detective Bureau Criminal Identification—Duncan Matheson, Captain of Detectives.

Traffic—Captain Henry Gleeson.

Pawnshop Detail—Lieutenant Henry N. Powell.

Automobile Detail—Sergeant Arthur McQuaide.

Check Detail—Detective Sergeant Charles Maher.

Burglar Detail—Detective Sergeant Richmond Tatham.

Bunco and Pickpocket Detail—Detective Sergeant Frank McConnell or Sergeant Thos. Hoertkorn.

Federal Detail—Detective Sergeant George Richards.

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CHIEF O'BRIEN TALKS ON THE RADIO

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of. Let us in the future continue the good work of the past and in all our activities, whether of a police or private nature, let public spirit be the dominating feature of our action and national, state and municipal honor our final reward.

GAUGHRAN AND HARRISON AGAIN

Detective Sergeant Andrew Gaughran and Wm. H. Harrison broke up a neat gang of department store workers the past month.

They arrested May Nelson, Elsie Richards and Helen Huntley, the latter only 18 years of age, in the White House, being assisted by Fred Reed, house detective of the store.

The arrest of this trio was brought about by the fact that valuable materials were disappearing, and during sales when extra people were employed. Hales and the Emporium according to the officers had made complaints, and when the White House put on a sale the first two women were watched.

The vigil was rewarded they declare when they say the Huntley girl come into the store, go to the counters presided over by Miss Nelson and Richards, and given nearly \$200 worth of lingerie which was stuffed in a bag. This loot was recovered when the Huntley girl was apprehended as she was walking out of the store. The three were held to answer by Police Judge Lazarus on a grand larceny charge.

The epidemic of murders during the first weeks of June in San Francisco came nearly changing the month from one of June brides to one of June homicides. The police were kept busy checking on the various shootings, all of which were such that they were readily cleared up.

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Chinatown Detail—Detective Sergeant John J. Manion.

Bureau of Identification—Detective Sergeant Adolph Juel.


Police Records—Corporal Michael Riordan.

Court Procedure—Captain Duncan Matheson.

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CHIEF GOES TO BUFFALO

Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien, Mrs. O'Brien, Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson, and Captain Henry Gleeson and Mrs. Gleeson left the latter part of May for the East.

They went eastward on the Shriner Special, and took in the annual meet of the fez wearers in Washington, D. C., held the first week of this month. Following this visit they went to Buffalo to attend the gathering of the International Association of Chiefs of Police which engaged in a three day business session.

In Washington they met with Mayor James Rolph and his son, James Rolph III. On June 7 Chief O'Brien and the Mayor and his son were presented to President Harding, and these representative officers of San Francisco emphasized the desire of the people of this city to have the President visit us on his national tour in August, and they were assured the President would be a visitor to our city this summer.

At the meeting of the Chiefs of Police in Buffalo, Chief O'Brien, Captains Matheson and Gleeson had prominent parts on the program.

It is a safe prediction that the Chief and his captains will be kept busy by the eastern chiefs who, when they left San Francisco after last year's meeting of the chiefs, announced that if they ever got our chief back East they would in some measure make up for the royal time provided for them during their week's stay here.

Mrs. O'Brien has been the recipient of many social favors during her trip East, and the women folk of the chiefs' have done everything possible to repay her for the programs she laid out for them last June, when she was the head of the women's reception committee charged with entertaining the women members of the chiefs' families.

Chief O'Brien took a large number of copies of Douglas 20 with him to Buffalo.

THE STORY OF COFFEE

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made, it is quite necessary for it to be uniformly and properly ground. For this reason it can be best done by large manufacturing concerns who have the proper facilities for doing the work. As coffee, after being roasted soon loses its flavor when exposed to the air, it is essential that it be packed by some method to prevent deterioration. The seeking of a means to cope with this fact resulted in the discovery of the Vacuum Process.

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FRANK CUMMINGS AND A \$1000 BOND

If you lost a \$1000 liberty bond in a small town last November, and didn't know who got it, and only thought maybe a porter in a small town hotel made way with it, what would you do six months afterward?

Well, this is what Charles De Long, 719 Brown avenue, Fresno, did, and how Detective Frank Cummings found the bond.

Last November De Long was coming up the Coast route and stopped over night with his wife and daughter at a little hotel in Gonzales. The next morning he missed his wallet which contained a \$1000 liberty bond and \$80 cash. He could get no trace of it. He came to this city and went home. On Decoration Day he walked into the Mission station and reported the matter to Captain John J. O'Meara. He said he had been told the porter at the hotel named Hermosillo had left Gonzales and was in the Mission district. He had no description to give, nor any address.

Special Duty Officer Frank Cummings was put on the case. The Monday following he had Hermosillo arrested, a confession that he found the wallet; had gotten an attorney to sell it for him; found the attorney; learned the bond had been sold to a bank and started proceedings to recover the bond, which was registered.

Detective Cummings traced down all the Hermosillo in the Mission district, found a brother of one John Hermosillo, who had worked in a hotel in Gonzales. He took the brother to the station, after a two days' search for him. The brother denied he had a brother but on being questioned he took a memo book that had an Oak street address in it, and on going there the officer found John Hermosillo who when confronted by his victim confessed.

John Hermosillo was booked on a grand larceny charge and De Long got a warrant in Monterey county for him.

NEW STATE TRAFFIC LAWS

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\$40.00, according to the unladen weight of such vehicle.

If commercial vehicles are equipped with pneumatic tires the rate is 50 per cent less; if a vehicle is equipped with cushion tires and weighs less than 3000 pounds it is classed with pneumatic tire vehicles. A vehicle up to the width of 120 inches is permissible in San Francisco under certain conditions, otherwise 96 inches is the limit.

The loading of vehicles will be a subject that will require the attention of all police officers and all officers must become familiar with the same; there is a difference in weights to be carried between a highway built by the State and city streets and highways. Cities have the right to prescribe certain weights and to close certain roadways against overloaded vehicles. This subject will be made a special article at a later date.

A gasoline tax of 2 cents per gallon will have to be paid for all motor vehicles and additional tax for trailers.

The section on lighting of vehicles is too technical to be dealt with in this article and will be made a special subject in a future article in "Douglas 20."

Vehicles that run over regular routes and that have persons and property for hire, require permits from the State Board of Equalization (see Assembly Bill); this does not apply to drays, transfer vehicles or others like city motor vehicles that haul persons or property for hire, such as jitneys or motor trucks and other vehicles in cities.

Traffic officers outside of the City of San Francisco will hereafter be appointed by the Chief of the Motor Vehicle Division. Supervisors of interior counties lose actual control over these traffic officers. They will be paid by the Department of Motor Vehicles, with moneys due the different counties from the motor vehicle fund.

The penalties for driving while intoxicated or under the influence of drugs has been changed to permit severe fines of not less than \$200.00 or 90 days imprisonment.

Reckless driving may be punished for not less than \$25.00 or five days in the County Jail.

A person who has been granted a chauffeur's license does not need to have an operator's license.

It will be unlawful to permit an unlawful minor to operate a motor vehicle or to cause or knowingly permit a child or an employee under the age of 21 years, whether as an operator or chauffeur unless such child or employee has first obtained a license.

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the apartment, was the fugitive banker, Duncan. Duncan immediately reached for his revolver, but before he could raise his hand, Captain Lees had him covered and threatened to blow off the top of his head if he moved a hand.

Duncan was immediately taken to prison, and then developed some interesting details of his attempted flight and concealment during the several weeks that he was in hiding. A search of the premises disclosed that Duncan was in a building with several other persons, but none, except one trusted servant, knew that he was there. There was an old bureau in the apartment occupied by him, out of which the back and all but the front of the drawers had been removed. Whenever anyone came to this apartment, the bureau was pulled out from the wall and Duncan slipped in behind and took a crouching position, and the bureau was then moved back against the wall, leaving Duncan entirely concealed. By this method, he had escaped detection, although many persons had been in and out of the premises occupied by him for several weeks.

A further search also revealed the fact that Duncan had prepared a complete female disguise for himself. A chemise with a lace border, a skirt with a suitable bustle attached, into which he had sewn a white underskirt, so that both garments could be put on at once, without loss of time, a wig of woman's chestnut hair, a cute black velvet hat, with a pretty bunch of violets on the crown and a thick brown veil, all bore evidence that Duncan had been frequently going about the city at night disguised in female attire, and was awaiting a favorable opportunity, with the aid of his disguise, to board an outgoing vessel and make good his escape.

He was arraigned on sixteen charges of forgery and one of felony in swearing to a false statement of the condition of the bank. After two trials he was finally acquitted in the Municipal Criminal Court.

Sergeant Charles Brown of the Potrero and a squad of his officers rounded up five youths on June 9 whom they charged with robbery. Three of the boys made confessions according to reports made by the sergeant and his men. They were suspected of holding up from auto passersby at Evans and Third streets.

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TANGLED EVIDENCE

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Planting the chain had been a real piece of brain work. Getting it had been easy. Slipping into the Dummy's room while he was in the bathroom had only taken an instant. All in all it looked mighty black for the Dummy. For just an instant he experienced a feeling remotely akin to pity for his dupe.

III.

He was so busy with his thoughts that he hadn't noticed it was getting dark and that he was sitting alone at the table. He had finished the last of the corned beef; he reached for a piece of shortcake. It was pleasant here, in the semi darkness. From the front porch he could hear the voices of the men, of Mrs. O'Connor and, at intervals the silvery laughter that Mrs. Casey sent over from her stoop next door. He had better not try to see her tonight. He would wait until tomorrow. There would be time enough. . .

He thought of the dead man upstairs as he finished the creamy cake in huge mouthfuls and the old anger momentarily stirred within him. How he hated even the man's memory!

How long had he thought of killing Jem Broast? Well, for weeks he had never thought of Broast without wanting to strike him dead. But the idea of carrying out that desire had not really entered his mind until three days ago.

And then, returning late one night, he had heard a woman's soft laughter from Mrs. Casey's vine-covered porch—from the corner where the hammock hung. He had heard the rumble of a man's voice. More laughter; then, as he passed, silence. He had recognized the laughter—Grace Casey's. The rumbling voice was Broast's. And an hour after he had sought his sleepless couch, he had heard Jem Broast come in whistling and go to his room adjoining his own. And then he had been tempted to get up and slay him! It was well that better judgment prevailed.

Yes, he was glad he had bided his time. Things had seemed to work out for his special benefit. That fight with Wells yesterday; Broast's coming home early today—he had heard him singing in his room. And when the man's heavy breathing told him he was asleep fate had continued kind to him—given him the opportunity to slip into the Dummy's room, then into the room where Broast lay sprawled in slumber. How quickly it had all been done! The knife thrust—he had made sure of reaching a vital spot; placing in the dead man's hand the silver chain he had taken from Wells' bureau; then back to his own room for a second. Fortunately the locks on Mrs. O'Connor's doors were all alike and he hadn't had to bother with wax impressions.

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How dark it had become! He started up, vaguely apprehensive of the sudden quiet. The group that had been talking on the porch must have gone to their rooms. Perhaps he should have joined them. Sitting alone this way—he had not thought that it might look queer.

He started toward the hall, but stopped before he had taken two steps. For the stillness had been rent by a woman's scream, a series of screams echoing through the big house; followed a banging of doors, men's voices; Mrs. O'Connor crying in shrill terror: "He's dead! I knew it. Mr. Broast is dead—murdered!"

IV.

Eric Weed realized that it was time he got busy. Shaking himself with a feeling of anger at a sudden weakness that seized upon him, he made toward the hall and started up the stairs.

Mrs. O'Connor, her mouth open, her eyes staring, rushed past him and made for the telephone in the hall. Before he reached the top landing he heard her crying: "Send an officer quick. It's murder has been done!"

He found a group of men silently viewing the body. Blood oozed from the bared chest of Jem Broast and in his right hand hung Dummy Wells' chain. Wells was not present. Weed was just as glad. He stooped and reached for the chain, but Johnson, the thin faced clerk, whose pallor was like white paper, restrained him with a nervous hand.

"Don't touch anything," he cautioned in a quavering voice. "We're keeping everything just as it is for the police."

Weed felt a great contempt for the frightened man. He himself was perfectly calm now. That queer sensation that had shaken him in the dining room just now was gone. He had never felt more unperturbed. He was enjoying himself, in fact, immensely, like an actor whose genius is receiving the plaudits of the crowd. Weed was his own audience and an appreciative one.

He bent and examined the chain. "Where's Dummy Wells?" he asked.

"Hasn't shown since he ran away from the table," said Johnson. "You notice it too—I mean that chain is his."

"It's got his name engraved on the charm," said Weed.

An ominous silence gripped the little room. Finally Jack Holton, mopping a perspiring brow with a bandanna handkerchief that left streaks of coal dust, spoke.



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Eric Weed laughed inwardly, although his sal-low face did not change a muscle. He had done his work so well, he congratulated himself, that there was nothing more for him to do—the others would do it for him. Wells was as good as hang-ed.

And when, a few minutes later, two police of-ficers were led in by Mrs. O'Connor, Weed greeted them with a slight smile.

He felt himself master of the situation. To the officers he repeated the story of Dummy Wells' fight with Jem Broast and of his threat.

The uniformed policeman, a stout, red faced man with a walrus mustache, gave him an atten-tive ear, but the detective who accompanied him seemed to pay no attention to what he was saying. Weed could not tell whether he was listening or not. Resenting his attitude, Weed raised his voice, emphasizing his points, and directing his remarks to the inattentive officer.

The detective, a spare man of indeterminate age and a dark, melancholy cast of countenance, sat with eyes fixed on the floor.

"But," wound up Weed craftily, "I can't imagine Dummy Wells doing a thing like this. A terrible thing. A cold-blooded murder—and while the man slept."

The detective raised his head and gave Weed a fleeting glance. Weed, feeling he had said too much, tried to retrieve himself. "That is," he said, "I suppose he was asleep."

But the detective's eyes were again fastened on the floor and gave no sign. What was the man looking at, anyhow? Weed shuffled his feet. For an instant he had imagined that the detective was staring at them.

Suddenly the detective raised his head again and addressed the uniformed man.

"Jerry," he said, "will you see that no one leaves this room. I'm going to look around a bit. Mrs. O'Connor, will you come with me, please?"

And again silence fell upon the group in the room where Jem Broast lay dead.

V.

They waited. Eric Weed's eyes wavered be-tween the body and the door. He was aware now of a slight uneasiness. The heat oppressed him. He wanted to get out—away from Jem Broast and these men; away from this policeman who was looking at him so good naturedly. And away from that detective! He wondered what he was up to. Had he left anything in his own room that

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might arouse suspicion? No, there was nothing by which they could hang the thing on him.

The thought came to him that he was being detained against his will. But so, then, were the others. That meant that the detective was not entirely satisfied that Dummy Wells was the man; it meant that the detective suspected someone in that room—could it be he? More likely, he reassured himself, it was just a formal precaution, and, anyhow, all the others were in the same boat. He must keep a grip on himself; he must not appear worried.

And again he asked himself what the detective could be doing. He fastened his eyes upon the door.

Presently he heard the door of his own room adjoining open and close.

He was suspected! For a moment Eric Weed contemplated the feasibility of making a break for the window and thence over the roofs. But the heavy policeman, with his good natured, yet formidable face turned his way, was sufficient to kill that thought as it was born. He was conscious that the others were looking at him strangely—or perhaps he imagined it. He wiped his perspiring forehead with the back of a hand that was not as steady as it might have been. He strained his ears to catch the murmur of voices in the next room.

Again his door opened and shut. He held his breath. Footsteps sounded in the hall. They passed Jem Broach's room. A little later came the sound of a key in the lock of the room adjoining on the right—Dummy Wells' room!

He drew a sigh of relief. That meant that the detective had been impressed by the evidence against wells. He determined that he wouldn't let himself be scared that way again. He relaxed in his chair and fanned himself with a newspaper which he took from the bureau. He cursed himself for a fool for allowing his nerves to get the better of him. If he kept a tight upper lip he was in no danger. Wells was the man who should be doing all the worrying!

They were coming out of Wells' room now. In a minute the detective would be in and let him go.

And sure enough the door opened. The detective entered, glanced with seeming casualness at the floor. He walked to the window but did not look out. After standing a moment, eyes still fixed on the dark matting, he circled the policeman's chair, paused for an instant near Eric Weed, then joined Mrs. O'Connor in the hall with a parting admonition to his fellow officer to "Sit tight, Jerry."

The door closed. Weed, conscious of a trembling of his hands and legs, as though he had a chill, resumed his listening. He heard the officer and his escort pass down the length of the hall

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"I wonder what he's gone down there for!" he said suddenly, unable to contain himself longer.

The red faced policeman grinned and looked even more good natured than before.

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There was nothing to do but wait. And in the due course of time—tense moments in which he sat with thoughts ajumble and fear getting a greater and greater hold on him as the seconds dragged—he heard them returning up the stairs, then along the hall; and somehow those dull foot-steps sounded like drums of doom in the buzzing ears of Eric Weed.

Detective Sergeant Wren opened the door and Eric Weed read his fate in the gray solemn look that the officer bent upon him.

And he was not surprised, when the detective said, evenly:

"Weed, you are under arrest."

It was then that he tried to put into effect the thought that had come into his head some minutes before. But his dash for the window ended abruptly. Jerry, his face fairly beaming, held him in a grip of iron and Wren slipped the handcuffs in place with quiet dexterity.

The detective stooped and plucked at one of Weed's high laced boots, giving quite a yank.

"No spider ever spun a finer web, Weed," he said, straightening up.

From a pocket he produced a spool—a spool of black thread—and wound on it the dangling end which he had removed from a clasp on Weed's boot.

"Come on, now, let's get out of here!"

VI.

"And to think," said Mrs. O'Connor some time later to her boarders assembled downstairs. "To think that a little thing like a spool of black linen thread that I had left with my work basket in that terrible Mr. Weed's room was the thing that trapped him. A dangling end must have caught on his foot.

"And it's me that's sayin' that detective man has a keen eye in his head. The minute he saw that thread hangin' on Weed's shoe he knew it had a meaning.

"We simply followed the thread, that's all. From the drawer in Weed's room the thread led under the door and into Mr. Wells' room. There it had caught around a bit of projecting gas pipe. Then from there the unravelled thread went into poor Mr. Broach's room where it broke after catchin' on a chair near the window. And the other end was on that foul fiend's boot!

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"And when I took him next door and Mrs. Casey told him she was hopin' to marry Jem Broast and that Eric Weed had been pesterin' her to marry him—poor soul, she's weeping her eyes out now!—the detective says, says he: 'That establishes the motive. That cooks Weed's goose.'"

Mrs. O'Connor paused for breath before she went on:

"And if I hadn't gone into his room yesterday to sew some buttons on his clothes—like I do for all the rest of you womenless men—you, Mr. Wells, would be in jail this minute!"

And Dummy Wells, who had returned to the house just a few minutes before and hadn't yet gathered a clear idea of what the excitement was all about, nodded his great head slowly.

SOME MURDER CASES

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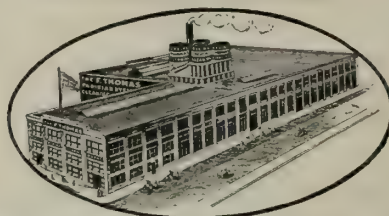
"Look out for Mike! Boy, he's terrible when he gets mad and I can see he's getting mad now. I'm shivering when I think of what happens when Mike gets mad. Better come clean, son, and tell us everything before Mike gets mad." And it usually works. Yet neither men are unkind, or unwontedly rough except where need be. They are good natured, easy going fellows but they are business from start to finish. Still, how does the crook know when he looks at the scowling giant, Mike Desmond, whom he figures might easily eat him up, and listens to the blood-curdling way Barth Kelleher talks of Mike's temper, which, incidentally, is seldom exhibited?

Harking back to the six murders in six years on the waterfront that were cleaned up by Mike Desmond, the latter ones with the assistance of Barth Kelleher, the reader will be better able to appreciate, now, what these enviable records mean.

The first murder which Desmond cleaned up, before he and Kelleher became partners, was the murder of a fellow officer, Policeman Edward Maloney, who was shot in the back at the corner of Sacramento and Davis streets on the day of April 18, 1915. Two men were seen fleeing from the spot down Davis street and up Commercial. Two days later, armed with certain information and a description of the supposed slayers, Desmond arrested at the Ferry building Carl Fisher alias Charles Felker, 23 years old.

On the same day, through further information obtained by Desmond, the second man sought, Otto Walker, 29 years old, was arrested. Fisher was tried for murder, convicted and sent to Fol-

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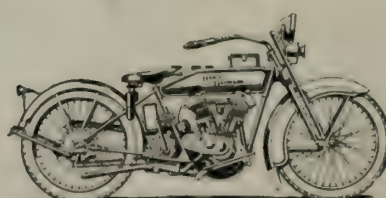
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som for life. In Walter's case the charge was reduced to manslaughter, he was convicted and given 10 years in San Quentin

The following year Desmond and Lieutenant Frank Winters cleaned up on another murder and arrested George Juisti for the murder of Louis Figone, the teamster, at 216 Washington street. The place was a restaurant owned by Juisti's father. The defendant was a stout boy and the teamsters used to poke fun at him because of this. Enraged at this he shot Figone. He was given probation because of his youth.

On February 22, 1918, Desmond and fellow officers arrested James Watts and charged him with the murder of John Callan, who was shot to death in a brawl in a saloon at 262 Embarcadero. Watts was acquitted, however, by a jury on April 30, 1918.

Desmond and Kelleher made a speedy cleanup of the murder of James Truman on January 23, 1919, arresting as his slayer Frank L. Pooley, a ship's purser. The shooting resulted from a quarrel between the two men over some money matters. In this case, although the circumstances of the shooting were clean, the defense of self-defense was invoked and a jury disagreed on June 11, 1919. At the second trial, Pooley was acquitted by a jury on August 9, 1919.

The last sensational murder case that Desmond and Kelleher cleaned up was the murder of William O'Keefe, a stevedore, on pier 36 on September 4, 1921, by Soreto Sawyeda, a Japanese of the crew of the Persia Maru. The alleged slayer escaped from the scene after the killing. A number of police officers, assisted by the crew of the steamer, made a thorough search of the vessel and the other nooks and corners in the vicinity but the man was not to be found. The others abandoned the search, but not so with Desmond and Kelleher. They stripped to the waist and went below on the vessel. They searched and found their man hiding in a coal bunker. He was convicted and given life on December 27 of that year.

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The comparatively recent importations of the German police dogs into this country have revolutionized police methods in a number of cities as they are human in their intelligence if properly



Dr. Thomas R. Creely

trained, but it must be done by a man who thoroughly understands his business.

Some time ago Freeman Ford of Pasadena, millionaire fancier, imported several of these dogs with an incompetent trainer, the results of which had a grim humor, as when they set out for their first man hunt they got the idea that they must return with something that belonged to the man. Mr. Ford hired a number of tramps to be hunted, one of the dogs returned with the leg of a pair of trousers, another with the sleeve of a coat, and one gathered in a piece of the flesh of one man's arm and returned with it to the Ford kennels.

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Police Commissioner Andrew F. Mahony carried off the honors in the special match between the police department and the press at the San Francisco Golf and Country Club at Ingleside, on Monday afternoon, May 21. Owing to the fact that Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien was incapacitated by a fractured thumb it devolved upon Commissioner Mahony to uphold the prestige of the department against Harold Bruntsch, the aviating-artist, and Edgar T. Gleeson, sporting editor of The Call.

The match had been pending for weeks, and then just as the date was agreed upon, Chief O'Brien suffered an auto-jack to fall upon his thumb and crush it. He was game, however, and then proceeded to play a practice round even though he suffered his match to go by default. Commissioner Mahony left no room for doubt as to the golfing ability of the gentlemen who sometimes wear bluecoats and brass buttons, putting a margin of eleven strokes between himself and Bruntsch. Mahony shot an 83, which is just two strokes over his usual game on the Ingleside course. Had he been pressed, he might have established an even greater lead, as he was shooting with deadly accuracy on both the fairways and greens. His iron shots were superb and his putting bordered on the uncanny.

It was understood at the beginning of the match that O'Brien would be accorded another chance, as soon as his hand would permit of play. The Chief has long been an expert club wielder. He is known to have a powerful drive, and with practice, cannot fail to make a strong partner for Mahoney.

The match was not without its humorous features, the most of which concerned the efforts of the newspaper representatives to get out of the rough. The marvel was not so much the character of the Commissioner's play, but the fact that he was able to finish without laughing himself to death.

Toby Irwin, Observatory Club referee, was responsible for the game. He was the official bearer of challenges, even lent his presence to the course, in the event of hostilities. Irwin described Bruntsch's exhibition in one of the sand traps as a perfect imitation of Young Papke, making a garrison finish.

Chief O'Brien has left for the east to be away several weeks, but it is understood that upon his return he will undertake to serve with the Commissioner in another foursome. It may easily be this initial game may lead to other matches in

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Commissioner Mahony has been playing golf for the past seven or eight years. He has played over most of the great courses in this country and abroad and is one of the closest students of the game in the West. He predicts the time is coming when the present race of young golfers will rise to championship heights. Perhaps the police department will have its own contender when this day arrives.

The scores turned in are as follows:

Andrew F. Mahony, 83.

Harold Bruntsch, 101.

Edgar T. Gleeson, 115.

Daniel J. O'Brien, 118.

THE PAWNSHOP DETAIL

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in this city. He gave an old address but by tracing, Powell and his force located the hangout at a Leavenworth apartment house. There a force of men picked from the auto detail, the burglary detail and his own gang, and consisting of George Wall, Earl Rooney, Sergeant Jere Dinan, Sergeant Regan, Detectives Callaghan, Hippeley and Reihl, waited the arrival of some of the gang. Murray showed up first, and was shot resisting arrest. A short time later the other two showed up and they were captured. Nearly \$15,000 worth of stolen property was found in their apartments.

Two fur coats stolen in Portland by the gang were recovered through the pawnshop detail. One being located in Springfield, Mass., where a woman resided who had bought it for \$100 while visiting this city.

Another good recovery was made by the detail when they located the \$45,000 pearl necklace lost by Walter Dillingham, found by a hotel laundryman, who tried to pawn it. The detail got a description of the man trying to sell the pearls and finally took him in custody and he gave up the necklace.

Lieutenant John Fitzhenry got his picture in the paper the other day as being the oldest police officer in the San Francisco Police Department in service. We will say that this qualification is well merited for though he shows 67 summers on his birth certificate he is a mighty spry young man.

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The woman cried, "You will enter at your peril." The detectives ordered her to open the door. Again she cried they would enter at their own risk. There was a short interval and then two revolver shots rang out from the room.

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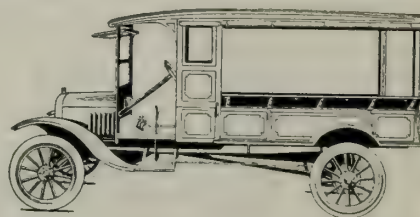
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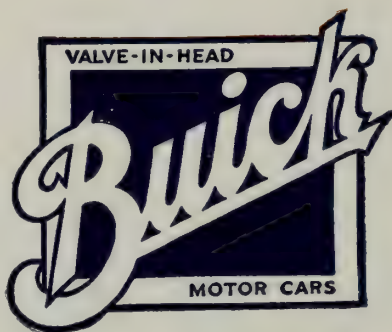
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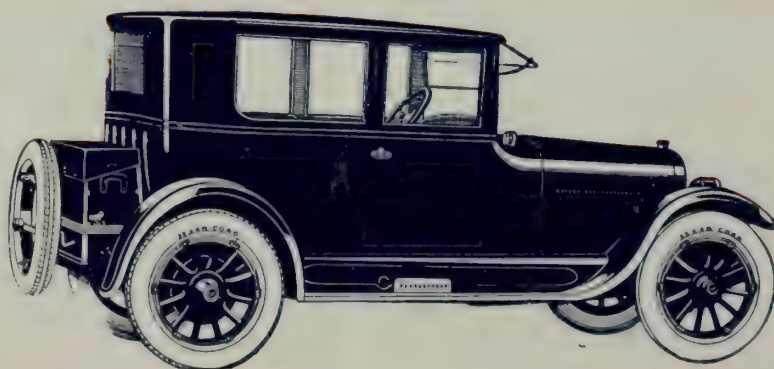
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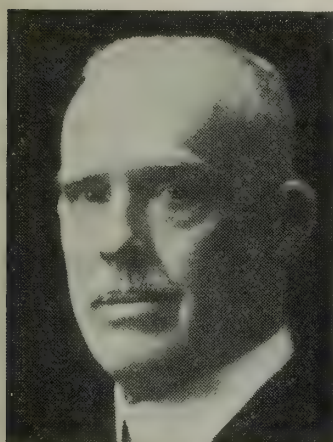
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International Police Chiefs Meet

CAPTAIN OF DETECTIVES DUNCAN MATHESON Who Writes First of Articles of National Convention,
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Captain Duncan Matheson

Police of Montreal succeeded in securing the convention for next year.

It was very encouraging to see that the daily sessions of the convention are better attended than heretofore. The members took unusual interest in the subject matters under discussion. The big problems considered were the National Bureau of Identification, Drug Addiction, Traffic, Pensions, Official Paper, and the general criminal situation throughout the country.

The association had for a number of years endeavored to establish a national bureau of criminal investigation and identification under federal supervision and control at Washington, D. C. And in furtherance of that object different police chiefs who had available funds contributed their mite to the supply of the central bureau, under the management of a board of governors, Congress contributing \$500 yearly to help maintain the now existing bureau.

The amounts contributed were insufficient to maintain, equip or properly handle all records and data that were sent there for classification

and filing. On a visit to the bureau with Chief D. J. O'Brien about two years ago thousands of finger prints and other records were found that were not classified or filed, because the superintendent in charge had not sufficient clerical help to handle the work.

At the convention held at St. Louis two years ago the subject matter was discussed at length, and also again last year in San Francisco and the board of governors were empowered and then given full power to act insofar as the transfer of the bureau to federal control was concerned. In the meantime the Calder Bill authorizing the establishing of such a bureau not under Federal control however was presented to Congress but was tabled in committee for lack of jurisdiction.

On our way East to the convention Chief O'Brien, Captain Gleeson and Inspector Grant of Washington, D. C., and myself visited William J. Burns, chief of the Department of Justice at his office in Washington and the subject matter was discussed at length. Mr. Burns stated that sufficient money was appropriated at the last session of Congress to maintain, equip and enlarge the bureau. And also for sufficient clerical help, and all that was necessary was to arrange for the transfer of the bureau with its records and employees. He also stated that the information acquired would on request be available and given to recognized authorities without prejudice.

It was also agreed that the bureau would be operated under the management and direction of an advisory board, selected by the association, such board to have the authority to appoint the chief executive in charge. The way was then clear to have the transfer properly made by the association, and Chief O'Brien presented the situation to the convention and after full discussion

the board of governors having full power to act, are now arranging for a legal transfer to the U. S. Government.

The President of the Association, Wm. P. Rutledge, appointed Chief O'Brien of San Francisco, Chief Quigley of Rochester, New York, and Major Sylvester of Wilmington, Delaware, as the advisory board authorized by the convention to manage the bureau, and select the Superintendent. Chief Quigley and Major Sylvester are also members of the Board of Governors. This concluded the work for the transfer of the bureau and no doubt it will be in operation within sixty days. If the chiefs of police will send all necessary data to the bureau the work will be complete, and Congress will be urged to pass a bill compelling police departments to send all necessary data as contemplated. The work of the bureau no doubt will be in conformity with that of the State Bureau of Sacramento which means that California is still showing the way.

Superintendent Belanger of Montreal read a very interesting and instructive paper on drug addiction, and many practical suggestions were made for the suppression and control of habit forming drugs. Maximum penalties were urged upon conviction of law violators for the reason that the rehabilitation of addicts cannot be accomplished by short terms of confinement, regardless of the treatment used.

Chief John F. Sullivan of Pittsfield, Mass., read a very practical paper on traffic and prevention of accidents. The paper was very favorably discussed by all members present, and it was ordered printed and copies will be distributed to the members of the association. The report in full will be published later in the magazine.

The question of having an official publication for the association was thoroughly considered and the discussion centered about the fact whether or not the association should have an official paper for the association's business only.

It was the consensus of opinion that all reports of the convention and matters of interest in crime prevention and law enforcement should be published in an official organ over the signature of the Secretary.

I was the Chairman of the Committee of Police Pensions and the committee submitted in detail a report outlining a pension law that would afford not only protection to the officers but to the taxpayers as well without affecting the efficiency of the department. Fines collected for traffic violations and all license fees collected by permits granted by police authorities should become part of the Police Pension Funds.

The increase of the crimes of violence including bank robberies, payroll jobs, messenger holdups, jewelry robberies and homicides with ever

increasing property losses, were fully discussed. Lax law enforcement and disrespect for law were very carefully considered. Major Sylvester spoke in the Statler Hotel one evening before a very large audience on law enforcement, and on the following day I submitted resolutions which were unanimously adopted as follows:

RESOLUTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF POLICE CHIEFS

WHEREAS, crime is rampant in the country, bank and payroll jobs, messenger stickups and homicide, and preventable automobile accidents are a daily occurrence, and

WHEREAS, innumerable delays are had in the prosecution of criminal cases, and

WHEREAS, the jury system is fundamentally weakened by failure of citizens neglecting or refusing to qualify for service, and

WHEREAS, the probation system is abused by admitting second and third offenders, holdup men and midnight burglars to probation, and

WHEREAS, the parole system is weakened by admitting hardened professional criminals, and two or three-time losers to parole, and

WHEREAS, social nuisances, ill advised meddlers, half-baked individuals and reformers are constantly interfering with law enforcement and the administration of justice, and

WHEREAS, so-called mental experts, psychoanalysts and other freaks are constantly endeavoring to keep crooks out of prison under the guise of mental cases for hospital treatment, and

WHEREAS, seventy-five per cent of all crimes of violence are committed by young men between the ages of 14 and 24, and institutions are filled to overflowing, and

WHEREAS, young offenders show lack of education, proper environment and religious training, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Association in Convention assembled urge that the members thereof use every available means within their power to prevent all crimes of violence within their respective jurisdictions, and urge the closest co-operation between the different departments to suppress existing conditions; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Association use every means within its power to speed up the wheels of justice, thus preventing delays in criminal trials. And be it further

RESOLVED, that ways and means be used to strengthen the jury system so as to stimulate civic duty in our citizenship. And be it further

RESOLVED, that the Association condemns the granting of probation to holdup men, armed burglars, and all cases where deadly weapons are used, and also to ex-convicts. And be it further

RESOLVED, that the Association condemns

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Captain Henry Gleeson

Biographical Sketch of Commander of Traffic Bureau, Who Has Been a Member of Police Department Since 1888

Captain Henry Gleeson was appointed to the police department in September, 1888. He was assigned to the Central district, there being at that time but five police stations in the city. They were the Central, Harbor, Southern, Mission, Fillmore.

As a patrolman the first assignment Captain Gleeson got was a week after his appointment when he was sent up to the Broadway jail by Captain W. Y. Douglas to assist in dispersing a mob which was trying to break into the jail to lynch Alex. Goldenson who was held for the murder of Mary Kelly. Captain Gleeson says that with nothing but his club and uniform he went forth and on his arrival never saw so many brick bats and cobble stones in operation in his life. He got his share and though the fight was a tough one the police prevented a lynching.

Following this he was given a special detail of gathering evidence in the "clock" game, a sort of bucket shop gambling that was gathering in thousands of dollars from suckers. It was a form of grain gambling that drew in thousands and was becoming so pernicious that Chief Crowley, despite the great influence the men operating the clock game wielded, undertook to stamp out the evil. Gleeson was detailed on this work. He spent eight months gathering evidence, during which he became a member of the club which operated on Montgomery street. Got an inside knowledge of all phases of operation, how the machines used in the work were operated, and when the proper time came staged a raid that for the number of people arrested has never been equalled at any one time.

At the stroke of 12 one day of the spring of 1889, he gave the signal and the squad of police who were in waiting walked in. Gleeson stuck his club in the safe, and this act was the first intimation the operators had that he was an officer. By this act also were the members of the raiding party able to get the books. Over 800 men were taken into custody and booked as visitors to a gambling house. The five or six proprietors booked as keepers were tried by the late Judge Conlon and convicted and ever since the "clock" game has been in the discard in this city.

After working on other special duty details he was sent to the City Hall station and thence to Hayes Valley, where he mixed with James Corbett, Choynski and other celebrities of the world of sport.

In 1892 he was assigned as clerk in the liquor license bureau where as a result of his knowledge of bookkeeping and penmanship he was retained until 1897, when he was appointed a sergeant after being made a corporal in 1895. As sergeant he was put in charge of the bureau until 1902 when he passed the examination and was made a lieutenant.

As lieutenant he was assigned to his old station, the Central, along with Lieutenant Joseph Burnett under Captain George Birdsall.

Passing the examination for captain he was appointed to that rank in 1904 and assigned to the new district created, the Park.

Later on he served in various stations, the Bush, Mission, North End, and during the fire he was assigned with Army men to blast down buildings in an effort to stop the progress of the fire. While performing this work with an Army lieutenant at Sixth and Jessie streets, trying to prevent the progress of the fire to Market street the explosion of dynamite injured him so severely that for six weeks he was laid up in the emergency hospital improvised in Golden Gate Park.

In 1907 he was sent from the Park station to the Fillmore street station and finally in 1914 assigned to the Central district where he remained until 1918 when he took a leave of absence to enter war work.

He was put in charge of the work of reorganizing guards, inspecting and arranging all devices for safeguarding the shipbuilding yards along the entire Pacific Coast. He worked under the Emergency Fleet Corporation, and so successful was his work in handling the duties assigned to him that the late Chief of Police D. A. White received from high national officials commendation for the work done.

After the war he returned to police duties and was sent to the North End district, where he remained in charge until 1921 when he was given charge of the traffic bureau.

As head of this important bureau he has endeavored to meet the many problems facing the police departments as a result of the congestion of vehicular traffic, and he has done great work in relieving the situation in this city.

Captain Gleeson was for years financial secretary of the Widows' and Orphans' Association and was one of the first advocates of the annual police ball which has become such an annual success.

The New World's War

By CAPTAIN HENRY GLEESON, Head of San Francisco Traffic Department, Who Writes of Observations While East on Convention Visit

Money must be provided each year for the widening of streets and improving certain thoroughfares for automobile traffic.

After a survey of the great camps of the eastern front where the principal battles are being fought to overcome the seemingly irresistible and overwhelming congestion of motor vehicles on public streets and highways, I am convinced that we should awake from the apathy that prevails regarding the advancing problems of the vehicle and pedestrian traffic on the streets of our own city.

The correction of the existing difficulties of traffic on our cross town streets

The cross town subway for traffic at the Embarcadero and Market street should be pushed to a conclusion at the earliest possible moment.

There does not seem to be any city where the traffic enforcing officers are able to say that their traffic problems have been solved, or that the future is provided for.

On every side the question is the same: How do you control this, or that, situation of traffic?; or, What do you do to control accidents, from speeding and reckless driving?

On every hand I learned that a spirit of despondency prevails of the uselessness of attempting to prolong the fight against the evils of the increase of motor vehicles. This seems to be due to the apathy of the people themselves to co-operate and benefit by the efforts being made by highly trained traffic officials to create, provide and enforce sane traffic corrections and regulations for the protection of the people themselves and the peaceful movement of commercial business.

Everywhere the problems are the same—lack of street space, narrowness of roadways, street cars, horse-drawn vehicles, pleasure cars and last, but not least, taxicabs.

Each of these elements creating confusion and dissatisfaction, by reason of lack of absolute control by the only sources to which all of the people look for the solution of all traffic problems—the police departments.

It seems to be an accepted theory by the people that police departments have the means and skill necessary to overcome every traffic problem by itself. No thought is given to the lack of proper laws giving supreme power; or through lack of co-operation and of obedience to existing laws, or to the necessity of strict control and enforcement.

In the great city of New York, where the congestion of moving traffic now threatens to become entirely immovable, much of this congestion is caused by some elements that are beyond the power of the traffic division to control, excepting in their movements on the streets.

It is from the lack of supreme supervision, direction and control of every element of moving traffic and of every condition requiring correction; of the power of enforcement; of co-operation from all sources of information and assistance, that many of the traffic problems of great cities have developed almost beyond correction, and the great battles are now being fought by traffic commanders to overcome the handicaps created by apathy or lack of attention to recommendations from men of vision and action.

On all sides I have heard praises of the spirit of friendship and co-operation existing in San Francisco between the Municipal administration, the newspapers and the people. This reputation prevails in every city where any of its people have mingled with us.

The events in this city in 1921 and 1922 have gained for San Francisco the friendship of the people of every city in the United States and Canada.

The work of the police department in 1921 and 1922 has been accepted as the peak of efficiency.

It was pleasing and satisfactory to note the commanding position of honor and respect in which His Honor, Mayor James Rolph, Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien, and Captain Duncan Matheson were held by the officials and people of the cities of the East and of Canada, but I could only sit and watch the maelstrom of moving vehicles and people to see the inevitable fate of San Francisco, unless the foundation stones are hewn and provided that will prepare to care for our present traffic needs and those of a great future.

Already can be seen every day a creeping congestion of vehicles and pedestrian traffic.

Take note of the length of the line of halted vehicles at every crossing from the Embarcadero to Larkin street and between Bush and Howard streets.

Take note of the pedestrians crossing at the pedestrian lanes on Market street or at the crossings in the retail shopping districts.

Already the congestion at safety zones at 5:15

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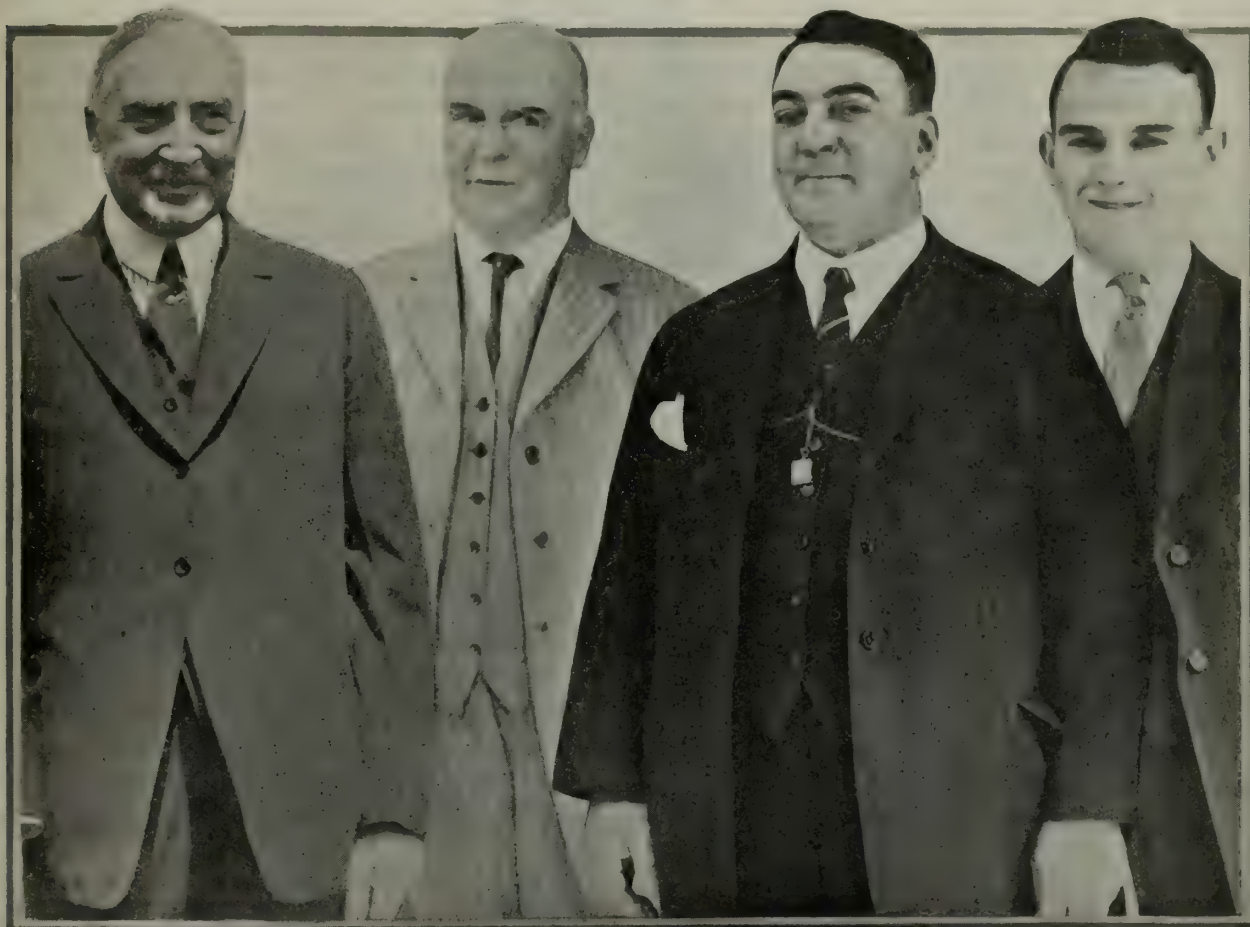
Chief O'Brien's Eastern Trip

Tells Editor of Work Done to Get National Bureau of Identification Established in Washington, D. C. and Organization of Coast Peace Officers

I called upon Chief Daniel J. O'Brien upon his return from the East advising him that I would like to have a story from himself, Captain Matheson and Captain Gleeson regarding their recent trip throughout the East. The Chief informed me that he would be glad to furnish some data on the trip in general and further advised that Captain Matheson would give me a story regarding the convention proceedings, while Captain Gleeson would give me a story on traffic regulations as he observed them in his travels.

The important and interesting incidents out-

garding the establishment of the bureau mentioned. While in Washington, D. C., Chief O'Brien with Mayor Rolph of San Francisco, who was in Washington at the time, visited His Excellency, President Harding, and had a very interesting chat for almost one-half an hour. All concerned were loud in their praises of their treatment by His Excellency and are strong boosters for his administration each claiming that the President is a real human being. From Washington, Chief O'Brien went to New York where police matters were discussed with police



Mayor Rolph, Chief O'Brien, Jimmy Rolph, III, meet President Harding on their recent trip to Washington

lined by the Chief are as follows:

In company with Captain Matheson, Captain Gleeson and Inspector Grant of the detective bureau, Washington, D. C., he visited William J. Burns, Chief of the Department of Justice, to discuss the future plans concerning the National Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information, getting in details from Chief Burns the ideas of himself and the Attorney General re-

officials at a meeting held there. It appears that Chief Burns of the Department of Justice was present and good work was done toward the establishment of a central national bureau of identification. From New York the Chief went to Buffalo to attend the 30th Annual Convention of the International Association of Chiefs of Police. The Chief did not give me any details concerning

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Port of Missing Things

LESLIE C. GILLEN *Writes About Captain "Barney" Judge, Property Clerk, His Work Never Finished and Never Will Be in That Musty Wonderland—The Property Clerk's Office*



Leslie C. Gillen

"The time has come' the Walrus said,
 'To speak of many things,
 'Of shoes and ships and sealing wax,
 'And cabbages and kings'.
 (The Walrus and the Carpenter from Alice in Wonderland).

When you poke your head into the Police Property Clerk's office on the first floor of the Hall of Justice, the first thing that pops into your mind is that queer, meaningless dialogue between the "Walrus and the Carpenter" of Alice in Wonderland.

When you speak of the Police Property Clerk's office, the Walrus was right: "The time has come to speak of many things" and many things there are—shoes and ships and sealing wax—for piled high and scattered all around is just about every imaginable thing in the world. Everything!

This unfathomable array of things, articles that are foreign and distant and bear absolutely no relation to each other are thrown together in such a manner that the casual observer is quite as bewildered when he tries to make an analysis of these things as when he tries to figure out the "shoes and ships and sealing wax and cabbages and kings."

Then you venture into the Police Property Clerk's office and you look around. You go into the first basement and then down more stairs into the musty, dusty lower basement and more than ever you are reminded of Alice in Wonderland.

Worse and more of it. You are bewildered with the stored array of things for you could not believe that such a collection could be found anywhere outside of a nightmare. A few minutes, a few hours in the property clerk's office is a real adventure in a strange land. What a conglomeration—what a kaleidoscope—bottles, kegs, dog collars, Milady's evening gown, bird cages, tombstones, walking sticks, trunks, suitcases, clubs, bludgeons and pistols, wicked-looking inferno machines, bathtubs, uniforms, costly gems, brass collar buttons, money, torn and bloodstained clothing, bottles of costly perfumes, the oldest wines and the newest moonshines, automobile tires, bicycles, a casket, all the keys in the world—everything and all things can be found in the Police Property Clerk's office.

Three thousand square feet in all, piled to the high ceilings with approximately five million distinct variety of articles!

Amazing? Astounding? Who do all these different things belong to and how could you find them if you knew? Of course, that's an absurd question and one you should have had better sense than to ask.

But it is not at all. Captain Barney Judge, the police property clerk, speaks up and gives you another surprise. He calls to your attention something that you have overlooked in your somewhat dazed survey. It astonishes you. Each and every article from the automobile tires and diamond lavaliers down to the brass collar buttons are individually tagged with an identification tag. That tag reveals whether the article is lost property, uncalled for property, evidence, recovered property, confiscated property or what not, and where it came from and who brought it in and who it belongs to if that is known.

There it all is in a nutshell—simple. Captain Barney Judge smiles and you only have to stand around a few minutes and watch to prove to yourself that Captain Judge speaks the truth when he says that he and his staff of five men can lay their fingers on every single item in their charge, no matter how insignificant, in two minutes.

"You see, there's the tags and then the books to correspond with the tags, is the way Captain Judge explains it, and there's a place for everything, and aside from that, after you've been handling this end of the police business for a few years you just sort of acquire a sixth sense of remembering about where everything was put and where to look for it."

Captain Bernard Judge, a good-natured, smiling, calm fellow, doesn't seem to feel the irksomeness of things piling up all around him and the responsibility for the safekeeping of each and every article.

Captain Judge was appointed to the police department on December 18, 1896, twenty-seven years ago, and still he doesn't seem to grow a day older on the job. He was appointed property clerk with the rank of captain to succeed Thomas Atchison, retired, on February 23, 1910, 13 years ago. The property clerk before that time was Commissioner Jesse B. Cook, who resigned the post to become Chief of Police.

If a merchant prince, the title given to the executives of big department stores, aspires that title because of their deft manner of handling and keeping account of a fabulously varied stock, then Captain Judge is the merchant prince of princes,

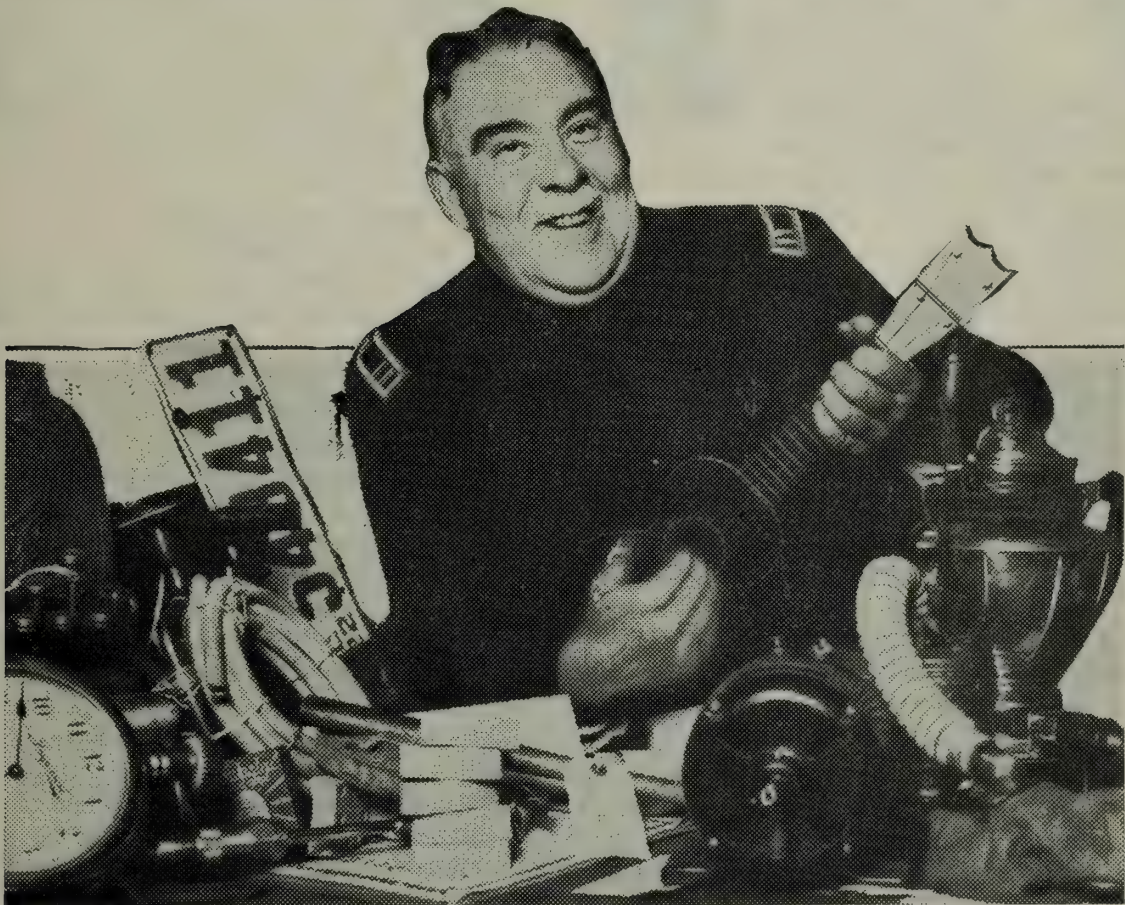
for no merchant prince ever had a stock like the police property clerk.

"Well," smiles Captain Judge, "they say that variety is the spice of life and that being so, then the Good Lord knows I'll never die for lack of spice."

In an endeavor to answer the question, "What was the queerest, the oddest and the most unusual thing you ever received into your charge as property clerk?" Captain Judge wrinkled his brow and thought out loud for half an hour.

"Let me see—that's a tough question to answer. There were some inferno machines and there was a money-making machine only it did not make money. There was a hollow ring with a bulb attached, used for squirting knockout drops

months-old infant in a jar of alcohol. Well, those things can be found in a medical school. Opium, no, I have \$10,000 worth of that right in the safe. No, I think the queerest thing we ever had in here was a living thing, a South African mongoose. Ever see a mongoose? Well, it's something like a cat only nothing like it. Climbs around like a demon. It belonged to a woman tourist who had brought it back despite the law excluding this animal from the United States as a pest and disease carrier, she had it at a fashionable hotel. It got out, climbed through the window of an adjoining guest and got in bed with him. He brought it in here and we kept it until the woman called for it. I was mighty glad to get rid of the darned thing. Maybe that wasn't



Captain "Barney" Judge and a few of the 5,000,000 different items of ordinary and extraordinary things that are part of a Police Property Clerk's charges (Courtesy Daily News)

in drinks. There were a thousand different bunco devices, but say, they're common. I had a million dollars in here once—a cool million in cash during the war drives. But what's that. Bombs and dynamite—no! I had that \$125,000 in gold bullion that was stolen off a vessel en route from China and recovered by Detectives Proll and Murphy, but bullion isn't uncommon or queer. Tombstones, well, there's plenty of those in the cemeteries. A human ear, a human thumb and a human eye—the preserved body of a three-

the queerest thing we ever received here but it was the only mongoose we ever had and the freakiest thing I can think of right now."

Perhaps a word of explanation is due so that the reader may fully realize how highly important is the office of the police property clerk and incidentally how highly important a competent, brainy, honest and trustworthy property clerk is to every police department.

It may sound humorous to say that whatever,
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DETECTIVE BUREAU

CAPTAIN OF DETECTIVES DUNCAN MATHESON in Charge

BANKS and BAD CHECK DETAIL

HOTEL Detail



Monthly Review of Banking and Bad Check Detail, Detective Sergeants David Murphy and Wm. Proll; don't forget the forger is a clever crook.



HINTS TO BANKS

Check and bank cases for June:

Embezzlements	29
Forgeries	2
Bad Checks	60

One of the most important arrests made in the banking district for a number of years was that of Thomas H. Barnett by Detectives David Murphy and William R. Proll of the Banking Detail on May 31st, 1923, on several charges of forgery. This man without exception was one of the cleverest forgers that the banks of San Francisco and the Bay District have had to contend with for the past ten years. He defrauded about thirty banks in San Francisco, Oakland and Berkeley out of various sums during the past year and a half, aggregating about ten thousand dollars.

His mode of operation was to enter a bank and watch a person make out a deposit tag or write out a check, and would pretend to write out a check himself and then copy a signature. In some instances, depositors after writing out a check or deposit tag would make a mistake and throw them away, which Barnett would pick up, take it to his home and make a check payable to cash for any amount. The signature would be so good that the party, whose name was forged, could not tell the difference. On other occasions, he would write to the parties, who were making deposits, and ask them if they were the same person who lived in some Eastern city at some time. Through that, he would get a reply and thereby secure their signature.

Through the apprehension of this man, the banks and the police department are relieved from a lot of worry, as this man kept them very busy for the past year and a half.

Barnett was, with one exception, the cleverest paper hanger of them all, and that includes the

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Detective Sergeants Fred Bohr and John Dolan of the Hotel Detail tell of the clever and daring manner in which hotel thieves operate and how it is almost impossible to "get them with the goods" unless assisted by hotel clerks and hotel men.



The record for the month of June, 1923, stands as follows:

Hotel burglaries committed.....	6
Arrests on hotel burglaries	5

During the past month, June, the following hotel burglars did the various local hotels the honor of becoming guests and signed themselves

H. Keller, San Jose.

J. P. Spencer, Reno.

Jas. Stevens, Sacto.

S. Hewish, Toronto.

George Blanchard, Honolulu.

The latter was arrested and sent to Los Angeles where he is wanted for following out his profession. The others are known to be hotel burglars because they "ducked out" leaving behind a suitcase or grip filled with worthless articles and neglecting to pay their bills. A room was ransacked in the hotel where each was registered but little taken.

The mode of operation of this type of criminal is clever in its way. The hotel burglar registers at a hotel, having arrived on a hotel bus from the Ferry or the S. P. Depot. He registers and takes a room without a bath. He must be very particular about that. He goes to his room and opens his suitcase. It is filled with old newspapers, worn-out apparel and most times a cheap alarm clock. This he sets for 6 A. M. and then he turns in for the night. The alarm clock it to avoid leaving a call in the office and thereby attracting attention.

When the alarm rings off he arises, and clad in a bathrobe, starts down the hall trying doors on each side. If a sleepy voice asks who is there, Mr. Hotel Burglar hastily apologizes and says he is looking for the bathroom. If he chances to find an unlocked door—and it is amazing how many

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BURGLARY Detail

Under this heading each month will be set forth stories dealing with the work of the detail of men under Detective Sergeant Richmond Tatham.

Burglaries for June:

Residences	74
Apartments	36
Vacant Premises	2
Factories	4
Tool Houses	17
Stores	30
Miscellaneous	28
Grand Larceny	44

Arrested—William Siegman, German alien, ex-convict; Robert Pilotek, German alien; Albert Young, colored, ex-convict; Dillard Porter.

This detail received last winter reports of many burglaries in the Richmond and Bush districts, of loot taken.

M. Winters of Burlingame, whose house had been burglarized December 20, saw in front of his residence a machine which aroused his suspicion. He took the number and this was turned into the San Francisco police department, and finally assigned to myself and Detective Sergeant Jack Palmer. We found the car was registered to a rent garage on Golden Gate avenue. Later inquiry developed the fact that it had been rented to a man giving the place of his residence, a vacant lot on Valencia street. He was described as being 5 feet 5 inches tall, weight about 145 pounds, wore a bus driver's cap and talked with a German accent.

Inquiry at the Ferry Information Bureau showed that a man named Seigman answered the description, and getting a photograph of this man which was taken when Palmer had arrested him on a previous occasion. It was presented to the garage man who readily identified it as of the man who rented the car. Shortly afterwards Seigman was arrested.

Seigman gave his address as 1434 Ellis Street, and going there we found the rooming house was owned by Robert Pilotek, who was also known to the police for his connection with the robbery some years ago of the home of Henry Newhall, when thousands of dollars worth of jewelry and silverware was stolen. He had been a butler in the Newhall home.

Upon entering Pilotek's room he rushed to the rear which excited our suspicion, and on conducting a search we found some of the Winters' loot.

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AUTO Detail



No Police Department in the country equals the record made by the Auto Detail under command of Sergeant Arthur McQuaid. Besides recovering stolen machines the men under Sergeant McQuaide convoy payrolls, maintain a night shotgun patrol of the entire city and have made a reputation that is known all along the coast.

Autos stolen month of June	118
Autos recovered	113
Unrecovered	5
Stolen for fiscal year beginning July 1, 1922, and ending June 30, 1923:	

Stolen	1999
Recovered	1966
Unrecovered	33

Autos stolen outside of San Francisco and found in San Francisco for fiscal year ending June 30, 1923	71
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HINTS TO AUTO DEALERS AND OWNERS OF CARS

Do not wait till the car is stolen and driven across the border before notifying the police. Do so immediately. If any suspicious person is seen around an automobile phone "Douglas 20." Remember that the police department has an auto detail for the purpose of apprehending auto thieves and a phone call will bring them immediately.

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MISSING CARS

	License Number
Essex, coupe	748129
Packard, touring	741855
Dodge, touring	657845
Jordan, touring	44890 (Oregon)
Dodge, roadster	723657
Chevrolet, touring	966696

Next issue of Douglas 20 will contain an article by Sergeant Charles Dullea of the Automobile Detail dealing with one of the important cases handled by himself and his partner Detective Sergeant Phillip Lindecker who have been together ever since they entered the Police Department, and who have engaged in many hair raising experiences. Other articles by members of this detail, as well as by the Robbery detail composed of Detective Sergeants George McLoughlin and Leo Bunner will appear in the next edition of this magazine.

Athletes of Our Department

By EVELYN WELLS. *Second of Series of Stories Dealing With San Francisco Policemen in Field of Sports. Another Will Appear in Next Issue*

Detective Sergeant Frank McConnell, working out in Chief O'Brien's office, once was listed among the best fighters of his day. This was in his own weight, around 140 pounds.

In the early nineties Frank fought Young Griffo, at that time considered one of the best fighters ever to step into a ring. It took place at the old Olympic Club on Post Street.



Evelyn Wells

According to Bill Quinn, that battle was terrific, Frank won it finally in the 15th round and it settled him in the minds of the fight fans as a great boxer. Jim Corbett, considered by many the second best fighter of pug history, hailed Frank as a fellow star.

Corbett had great hopes for the future sergeant. In 1900 McConnell made a successful campaign of the East, beating most of the top notchers and returning home in a blaze of glory. Nine years later he entered upon his career as an officer.

Another great old time fighter to adopt the star was Billy Gifford. At present Billy is attached as partolman to the Bush Street police district. But back in the nineties he was a great middleweight pugilist, and was brought to America from Australia for the purpose of fighting the famous Tom Sharkey.

At that time Sharkey was at the height of his career and one of the toughest heavyweights in the world. Billy Gifford arrived only to be met with the news that the promoters would not stand for the match. They said he was far too light for the wild swinging sailor.

Gifford tried desperately to get them to agree to the fight. He had come all the way from Australia for it, but he was never given the chance.

Later Gifford became one of Sharkey's first string trainers, and still later he trained and managed Al Neil, who held down the Pacific Coast Middleweight Championship for a time. In 1908 he resigned the ring for the force.

If Charlie Ward had kept up his fighting he might have landed at the top. Instead he is now Corporal Ward, and assigned to duty with the Property Clerk's office in the Hall. But before 1902, when he entered upon the duties, he had seen a lot of life from the inner side of the ropes.

Ward was one of the best middleweight boxers in San Francisco, in 1884-9. When our great Joe Choynski was striving for the heavyweight championship of the globe, it was Ward who trained him in the finer shades of the boxing art. They trained in the old 2d Regiment Armory Hall, then on Grove Street, near Polk. Both of them aimed high and went far before tossing up the sponge.

WHY STICKUPS STOPPED OFFICER WILLIAM HARRINGTON

Frank Riley and Harold Palmer, two young men arrested last May by Special Duty Officers William Harrington and W. F. Bennett after a series of holdups had terrorized the people of the Bush district, faced Superior Judge Michael Roche July 16 for trial on two charges of robbery.

They got a small idea of what Harrington and Bennett had on them and they made up their minds they were on dead cards for instead of facing a jury they withdrew their pleas of not guilty and pleaded guilty to robbing Edward Warner of \$75 on April 25.

They had another charge in the same court and that went over and there are six or seven other kicks pending in the police courts.

Warner and the officers were put on the stand by Judge Roche who brought out all the details of the robbery and the boys won't get away without the court knowing all there is to know.

Since the arrest of these two birds there have been no more holdups in the Bush street district and the officers are to be commended for catching this brace of bad boys.

JACK HAYES BACK TO TOWN

The many friends of Jack Hayes, the popular clubman, will be glad to know that he is now associated with the Tansey Crowe Co., Auto Supplies. Jack's phone call is Prospect 2000.

Officer John Henry Colen

"The Baby on the Button", as this Veteran Policeman of the Bush District is Known Has a Hobby of Looking After Kiddies Going to School

Everybody loves a baby, and if they do not, there is something radically wrong in their make-up.

Now the members of the Bush street station, and especially the gray haired young fellows on the Day Watch, have each a school crossing to attend to daily, and the school children have come to look upon them as part of themselves, not like it was in the old days, when a child would cut corners at the sight of a blue coat.

So the same Bush street contingent feeling lonesome without any kids around the station, decided in meeting assembled to adopt some one, and the unanimous choice fell to the happy lot of:

John Henry Colen, the oldest member of the platoons, well and favorably known to the Police Department, and to the public at large, as Officer John H. Colen, "Sailor Jack," "Fire Patrol Jack," "Grandpa" and last and sweetest of all, as "The Baby."

Comrade Colen has been stationed at the Adams School for many, many years, and is Director General of Traffic at Eddy and Van Ness avenue, where his early sailor experience stands him in good stead, in piloting the kids over this stormy bar. Although some times he forgets, and yells to the passing autoists, "Hard a starboard," or "Hard a lee," or "Steady all," that makes no difference to the school kids, they know he is on the job.

John certainly likes the going at the crossing, is a past master at whistle or hand signaling, and no fair lady passing in her jit, touring, or town car, can beguile him from the job on hand. And woe betide the unlucky driver of an auto who disregards any of the signals at this crossing, or who comes close to sideswiping any of the children, for there will be a lot of "heat language" delivered, for those who care to "listen in" or if not that, (referring to "sideswiping") it will be a trip on the running board to the Bush street station, with Mr. John on the side saddle of the automobile. The station keeper finishes up the job with, "Your name please, address, business," etc; then \$20 bail will suffice.

And here is where the name of the "Baby on the Button" comes in: One day one of his pals asked Jack where he was at 2:30 p. m. and Colen replied that he was at the crossing. His friend replied, "Why, that is strange, I passed by on the street car, but did not see you."

This made Jack quite wrathful and he said (with a good deal of "heat language") that he was on

the button on the crossing at 2:30, that he was always on the button at schooltime, with the whistle, and if he wasn't on the button, the reason would be that he was on the runnin' board taking some traffic violator to the station, for they can't fool with this baby while he is on the button, see!

Hence the name of the "Baby on the Button" but the kids at the Adams School mispronounce it; they say, "Grandpa on the Buzzer." Anyway, it makes no difference what they call it, for the children of the Adams School and the children on his beat, know perfectly well that "Grandpa" would fight for them in a minute, and they in turn have a 50-50 feeling for him.

Colen came out to San Francisco from New Bedford, Mass., his birthplace, when a lad, as ordinary seaman on the American packet, "Blue Jacket," 85 days from coast to coast, if you please. Later he shipped on the "Edward Jones" bound for New York, but she was wrecked off the Cliff House, so Jack decided to stay ashore, and round the "Horn" no more.

Feeling that he must get aboard of something, he got a job piloting a 6-horse truck to and from the freight sheds, and he was as he calls it, "The baby who could handle the ribbons." Later John was a swashbuckling fire patrol Jakie, and to this day he is the first man that Chief Murphy calls on for assistance when at a "tough" fire, for he is always ready "to lead in."

Then came a sunny day in August, 1890, and Johnny joined the Force, and in the days gone by, and to the present day, if a "tough" case comes in to the station, the Cap'n or Sergeant John will send the "Baby" for he is utterly fearless, and is as strong and rugged as one of the oak ribs of an old New Bedford whaler.

So in all these years in public service, he has seen the passing out of the famed American clipper ship, the sky sail yarders, that used to fill the anchorages of the bay. They have passed out "over the bar" never to return.

And years ago, he used to relieve state-ly old Officer Morehouse at Sutter and Kearny streets, a tough job in those days, stopping the wild and prancing street car horses, and the two-wheeled butcher carts, and the hacks from Portsmouth Square, in order to allow fair ladies to cross to go to the matinees at the Bush street, Standard and the Old California street theatres.

(No horns, no whistles, no signals.)

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The Criminal and Correction

By REV. HENRY I. STARKE, C. S. P. of Old St. Mary's Church, Whose Work Among Prisoners of All Creeds Has Accomplished Great Good



Rev. Henry I. Starke, C.S.P.

Jails and prisons are as old as history. Eighteen centuries before the Christian era, Joseph in Egypt, was in prison and Egyptian monuments testify clearly that prisons were as common on the Nile many centuries before. In Chinese annals jails are mentioned a thousand years before the time of Joseph and doubtless they have been a necessity wherever an organized government has been maintained. Experience tells us and sustains us that human nature has fallen in its progenitors and since that time is prone to evil and will always remain so. The history of criminology up to modern times teaches us we can partly correct that proclivity by natural and especially by supernatural remedial agents, but will we ever be able to entirely eradicate it? Our own age which is ever on the alert in combating disease by employing safeguards against the contraction of germs, is now beginning to realize the necessity of employing similar safeguards against crime. This is best expressed by an old inscription over the door of ancient St. Michael prison in Rome:—

"For the correction and instruction of profligate youth that they who when idle were injurious, may when taught, become useful to the State."

Thoughtful citizens and officials anxious for the welfare of the State, time and again, have proposed measures for the prevention of crime, recommending hygiene and instruction in the requirements of good citizenship, gymnastic drills and many other schemes for the upbuilding of manhood. Some sociologists declare the utter uselessness of building elaborate penal or reformatory institutions and hope for the day when prisons will be unnecessary. They intend to exterminate crime altogether by forestalling the causes. In the history of penology, they show us four distinct stages of development:

The first was strict retribution, the famous "lex talionis," or retributive justice, an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, a return of like for like. Second stage, absolute repression. Third stage, an attempt at reformation and rehabilitation. "We are now," they triumphantly add, "viewing the glorious dawn of the fourth era, that is, Prevention.

Looking back over an experience covering well nigh twenty years, this era of Prevention looks most favorable and we can face the future with hope if preventive measures are used in early life that strike deep in the human heart. God and Religion must be brought into the lives of the youth of our country. The Ten Commandments must be learned. Dangerously instructive movies must be forbidden. The sanctity of the Home must be protected, for if our family life is healthy and vigorous we shall have good and law-abiding citizens.

Because of a lack of these measures, crime has grown alarmingly. The criminal has invented his own code of morals, because he has never been instructed in a higher and nobler one. In his perverted code he has deleted from his conscience, the word "sin." Lombroso and other well-known criminologists consider the criminal an abnormal member of society with inherited anti-social traits and in this consideration they are liable to make the same mistake as the criminal in neglecting sin, when they have the problem of the criminal before them.

In a long experience, I have found the trouble with the criminal is not his morality. They may be deficient in the sense that they have not had the proper moral training. As a class they are alert, vigorous and quick-witted. They are as a rule, well "brained" but their intelligence never was given an opportunity to expand or to move along the right courses. The fault with the criminal is not with his mind, but with his moral sense. He is a criminal because he refuses to obey the laws of God and the State and insists on being a law for himself, and having interviewed a number of this class, I have found the greater the criminal's mental ability, the greater often is his contempt for law both human and divine.

As we review the history of the world, no one can help being struck with its progress towards higher ideals. Our Police Departments are filled with men and women of vision and hope. The world grows better and the criminal element will finally diminish. Real reform is achieved in these days, for the criminal is taught self-respect, no matter how low he has fallen, every agency urges him to make every effort by good conduct to rise from the dregs of humanity and to redeem himself. The process of reformation is a slow one and the best-known and most welcome prescription of victory is that of the present hopeful era, Mental and Moral training.

The Crime of Troy Dye

By PETER FANNING, *San Francisco Police Officer, Whose Series of Interesting Historical Stories Have Become a Feature of DOUGLAS 20. Others Will Follow*



Peter Fanning

One of the most cold-blooded and fiendish deeds perpetrated in the year 1878 was the inhuman murder of Aaron M. Tullis, at Grand Island, near Sacramento, and for which Troy Dye, the Public Administrator of that county, and Edward Anderson suffered the death penalty.

This account contains the story of a crime, the parallel of which may be looked for in vain in the criminal records of this, or any other time, making allowance for the advanced civilization of the nineteenth century and the comparatively good social position of the parties implicated.

In the case of Troy Dye, however, is found a man, previously occupying a respectable position in society, and elected by his friends to the office of Public Administrator, coolly and deliberately, after taking office, organizing a campaign of murder against the wealthy and most respectable citizens of the county in which he lived. If the officers failed to detect the murder of Tullis, his death would have been followed by some other residents of that county, equally fitted as a prey for the Public Administrator, and so that officially would have gone on till his appetite for wealth and blood were alike sated.

Anderson was to Dye a fitting tool, and judging from what accounts could be obtained from his life he was a wretch who had within him many a crime undivulged, and who had gone by "unwhipped of justice."

There must have been some startling defect in Dye's moral composition, and there can be room for little doubt, for making due allowances for the loose character of his surroundings, during the past years of his life, and the want of proper training in his youth, it seems incredible that a person endowed with that degree of perception of right and wrong granted to the average man could have become so totally inhuman, so impregnated with devilishness in so short a time. His wickedness must have been slumbering within him, and the passion which worked this wickedness was his love for gold.

Aaron M. Tullis came to this state when quite a young man, and a bachelor, and he selected a portion of Grand Island as the location for his future home, which was little better than a tule marsh. By hard work and with limited means at his command, he erected levees, and by ditching

and draining he reclaimed it from the dominion of the water and made it one of the most productive pieces of fruit growing lands in the state. He built himself a comfortable dwelling, and although without the domestic surroundings which are supposed to be necessary for perfect happiness in this life, it is fair to suppose that in his own mind he was contented and consequently happy.

Year after year, the returns from his orchard increased, and with the earnings from the same he invested in some more property along the bank of the river, until finally he said, "I have got all I want now, and I will take the remainder of my life easy." And as the saying of the farmer of those days after a prosperous year "That there will be plenty of smoke come out of the chimney this winter," Tullis figured that he had a sufficiency of smoke for the rest of his days. At the time that he was murdered it was supposed that he was worth in the neighborhood of \$100,000.00, and it was always rumored that he was without relatives and little ever was known of him being connected with ties of blood—so it will be readily seen that the estate of this man, of all others, offered temptations to a public administrator who, like Dye, had made up his mind that the only way to make anything out of his office was to go to work in a systematic manner and by employing a couple of "killers" to have his pick of the estates in the county.

One evening of August of that year, two men were seen to land upon the Island, and one of them, after making inquiry of a Chinaman, who worked on the ranch, as to his master's whereabouts, was directed to the orchard, where he proceeded alone, leaving his companion by the boat where they landed. The man did not return, nor did Tullis make his appearance at the house that night. The next morning the Chinaman suspected something wrong was done, and started along the levee, and there he discovered the body of Tullis lying dead beneath a peach tree, and by his side stood his faithful dog, licking the face of his master and then uttering a low howl, almost human in its sorrowful expression. The Chinaman immediately gave an alarm and neighboring ranchers appeared upon the scene. They found that Tullis had three gun shot wounds in him.

Now the question arose, who was the perpetrator? After the sheriff and his deputies arrived on the scene an investigation was had and

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THE NATIONAL BUREAU

The annual convention of International Chiefs of Police held the latter part of last month brought together scores of men who are combating with crime, which since the war has been greater in some sections of the country than in many years previous to the world conflict.

These men in charge of police affairs have learned that it is necessary for them to organize as well as the higher class of crooks, and by these annual meetings they exchange ideas, present suggestions for meeting the criminal and dealing with him as he should be dealt with.

These gatherings have served to bring the chiefs of police of the country closer together and they have established a spirit of co-operation that is already being felt in a beneficial way.

Probably the greatest piece of work done by the convention this year was the completion of the work started in San Francisco a year ago for the establishment of a central clearing house of criminal records. This bureau will be international in its work and will be established in Washington, D. C.; at the present time it seems that

within less than three months it will be in full operation. To this bureau the expense of which will be shared by the government and various police departments, will be sent records of all criminals arrested, including a full description of the man or woman, finger prints, Bertillion, nature of crime committed, previous prison record, and the disposition of the case.

So successful has been the state bureau of identification maintained in Sacramento that we can see the vast good that will be accomplished by the establishment of this much larger bureau. With the assured co-operation of chiefs of police of all large cities and towns, and the sheriffs of the country a complete tab can be kept on all crooks who fall into the hands of the peace officers.

The successful culmination of this work is a shining example of what the chiefs of police can do when they get together and work for a common purpose.

Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien has been appointed a member of the committee of three to work out the details of the work of the bureau. President W. T. Rutledge, chief of police of Detroit, Mich., notified Chief O'Brien of his selection two weeks after the chief returned to San Francisco. This is a signal honor and a recognition of the splendid work our department has done and which is recognized throughout the entire country.

CHIEF DREW OF OAKLAND

Chief of Police James Drew of the Oakland police department was in attendance at the Annual Convention of the International Chiefs of Police. So was Chief Vollmer of the Berkeley department.

These two executives joined with the delegation from this city in working for the good of the association.

Chief Drew served on committees that presented papers dealing with crime and criminals and we will say that he has had some experience dealing with both, for the "boys" who come West to follow their ill selected vocation usually leave the trains at Oakland to look about and pick up some spending money. They have, however, found that Oakland is no longer a healthy place to look about in, and that during Chief Drew's reign he has sent a goodly delegation over to the "big house" where they have ample time to reflect that these Western chiefs are not a set of dumbbells as many Eastern crooks think they are.

Chief Drew, besides having this class of gentry to deal with, has the policing of one of the fastest growing cities in Northern California and he has managed to keep apace with this growth with a none too large force of police.

About Post Office Robbers

By DETECTIVE SERGEANT FRED BOHR Who Nabs Couple of Cleverest Safe Crackers Who Have Visited Coast in Years. Local Officers Recover Most of Loot

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No, gentle reader, the above is not a set of signals for a football team, but is a code used in one of the greatest postoffice safe cracking jobs on the Pacific Coast in recent years. It is the code whereby the master mind of the gang imparted valuable information to his associates, and is universally used among this class of crooks.

To the layman this is a very meaningless arrangement of figures and letters, but to the safe cracker it is as clear as a blue sky. Translated it means:

"All smooth faced Halls or Herring Hall Marvin. Take off dial, cramp handle, drill out collar on dial spindle, use three sizes of drills 3-16-3-15 and 1-2 inch; cut in 3-4 of an inch, then punch; keep pressure on handle."

The occasion when this code was used on this coast was last March when the post office safe in Olympia, Wash., was broken open and thousands of dollars worth of stamps and coin taken.

The robbery was well planned and executed but the robbers, like all of their kind, did not make a clean getaway, making that one mistake, little in its appearance that led to their arrest and conviction.

The history of the crime follows:

On March 18 of this year the clerk of the Olympia post office completed his shift at midnight. The office was left untenanted until another clerk came on at 5:30 a. m. Neither of these clerks knew that in close proximity of the post office, lying in wait was one of the best and cleverest safe crackers in the country, James McNulty, alias James Martin, alias Frank Goldie, alias James Ford, alias Madison Jimmie and his associates known as Richard Riley, alias Dick Williams, alias "Flash," alias "Dick the Flash."

McNulty had planned this job after making a careful survey of every detail of the building, obtaining every bit of information that would tend to make successful the work the two were undertaking. The job was carried out successfully. The vault was blown open, and the locks of the interior compartments drilled out as indicated in the code as well as the doors to two smaller vaults in the big vault.

Registered mail and stamps to the value of

\$30,000 was stolen. This loot was placed in two Hartman traveling trunks, and taken to a hide-out, a secluded house. Here the registry numbers were removed, and later shipped to San Francisco.

To prevent rapid communication with the outside world these men cut the telephone wires leading out of the city, and the men had sufficient time to destroy all identification marks before sending their gains to this city.

So thorough did they destroy all marks of identification that the work of getting trace of the loot and the men who committed the robbery was made extremely difficult.

When word was finally gotten out of Olympia every agency of the postal system as well as the police departments throughout the West got busy and though several suspects were taken into custody no clues found as to the perpetrators, and no line was obtained as to what was being done with the stamps and money orders taken.

So unsuccessful was the efforts of the authorities that the task of running to earth the safe crackers and recovering the stolen property seemed near hopeless.

While the men who did the Olympia job were suspected of being responsible for many other safe jobs throughout the Northwest no line could be found leading to the arrest of the crooks. That this contention was a good one is substantiated by property found later implicating McNulty with the robbery of the Yacolt Bank in Portland and of the Sequin Bank, McNulty and Arthur Vorden, alias Frisco Whitey, were seen leaving the latter city and were chased by a posse of sheriffs and Vorden shot to death. McNulty was captured but proved an alibi and was discharged when nothing could be found hanging the job onto him. His beautiful wife appeared for him as she did whenever he was caught in a jam.

On March 30 while visiting the Manx Hotel, covering my detail, my attention was attracted to two well dressed young men at the cashier's window. My particular attention was attracted to the younger of the two, Riley, who was wearing a three karat diamond stick pin, and a three karat diamond ring. The pair was dressed in new outfits, and the cool and calm manner in which they transacted their business and not showing any of the uncertainty usually found in the casual hotel patron, excited my suspicion and I followed them out of the hotel. They walked a block from the hotel to O'Farrell and Mason streets

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Louis Barra and Joe Reno, two Italian bunco men who play the old charity game blew into our fair city along about July 9. They were looking for a chance to get a little expense money without perspiring for it. They had 15 phoney bank rolls to be used on unsuspecting gents who wanted to assist in distributing among the poor a large estate of a deceased father back in the old country. They had never been here before, and they had just landed and learned that Market street runs east and west when Detective Sergeant Thomas Hoertkorn and Detective Morris Harris swooped down on them and took them to the Hall of Justice where they were given a swell knock-down to Captain Matheson and a peek of their mugs kept on file in Sergeant Adolph Juel's office. They were also given the air by Police Judge Jacks who told them that with their record they had better keep a lot of space between themselves and San Francisco. After expressing their surprise at being caught before turning a trick they mixed themselves up a hike and are now in pastures new. The boys on these bunco and pickpocket details believe that prevention is better than chasing after a kick.

There is a member of our police department who pulled a rich one the other day. He had a twenty dollar bill that he wanted to keep so he placed it in the barrel of his revolver so he would not lose it. After placing it in the barrel of the gun he was ordered to target practice, and forgetting the gun was a safe deposit box he loaded up the cylinder and let go at the target in the range in the basement of the Hall of Justice. When he pulled the target up to take a gander at it he found double sawbucks smattered all over the paper and then he realized the awful mistake. There was not enough of the bill left to make a postage stamp. Mr. Officer will hereafter carry his extra change in his shoes.

Captain Patrick Herlihy of the Harbor station knows the difference between a seagoing steamer and a barkentine. He says the difference between a ferry boat and a sloop is that the ferry boat is flatter.

Sergeant Robert Silver denies the report that he is the man who winds the ferry clock. He says that is a state position and not a municipal function.

Captain John Mooney who was acting chief during Chief Daniel J. O'Brien's trip East says he is mighty glad to get back to his post in the Richmond district where the ocean breeze keeps the air purer than do the breezes that emanates from Chinatown.

Officer Pete Danahy of the Park station asserts that there ought to be a city ordinance against people committing suicide in Golden Gate Park.

Captain Harry O'Day of the Potrero district, former baseball star, says you don't see any more bare handed ball players like there used to be when he was playing the sandlots as a kid.

Since Lieutenant John Fitzshenry of the complaint department had his picture in the papers he is considering entering the movie field.

Mounted Officers Ed Pidgeon and Arthur Dolan of the Ocean Beach detail say it is peculiar that there are not many people trying to end it all in the great Pacific Ocean during the summer time.

Captain Fred Lemon, who bosses the North End district and knows all about army matters, says airplaning may be all right but that he likes to be where he can reach down and get a handful of grass when he wants to.

Sergeant Patrick McGee and his assistants, Detective Sergeant Jack Cannon and Peter Rafael Maloney, athletic instructors of the department, took on their largest class of recruits this month when they started the 27 new patrolmen appointed July 9 on a course of training out at the North Beach playground. These three officers spend three days a week teaching young officers how to defend themselves and perfect them on the art of offensive as well as defensive work. It is interesting to know that every member of the department who is assigned to the training course have entered upon the work with a zest that makes the instruction a pleasure and the tricks they are taught will come in mighty handy to all the boys, as well as keep them in perfect physical condition.

Officer Franklin K. Lane has returned from a sojourn to Gin Flats, his summer estate. He says they have straightened out the road now so that one saves a mile and a half after he hits the grade to his ranch.

Traffic Officer Nels Mathewson, the Shiek of Post and Grant avenue seems to get as many smiles from the lady drivers as he did before the orders went out that the boys on the crossings should not lift their hats when the chauffeuss drives by.

Traffic Officer Tom Ritter, attorney-at-law, says it is much easier to push a button to move traffic than to blow a whistle.

Officer Stephen Clark, who has the shortest beat in the city, the second floor of the Hall of Justice, asserts that between 10 a. m. and noon there are about as many people congregating on his watch as there used to be at the S. P. Depot when he was helping the people get on their trains or wising them up as to how they could get to Market street.

Officer John Dooling says that with the prospects of cheap grapes his lot will be a tough one to keep track of the red paint that will be offered to patrons along his beat.

Officer Harry Riley of District Attorney Brady's staff went up to Big Basin this month to watch the warden feed the deer.

Officer Gilbert Chase and family left this month for their annual vacation to their summer home up on the Russian River.

Officer Percy McPartland of the Bush district would make a swell movie actor, he and Policeman Wm. Harrington being two of the best looking officers in their district.

Officer Patrick Murray, the accountant of the police department, is spending his vacation down on Half Moon Bay where he is lulled to sleep by the wail of the wild abalone and the sweet voice of the tame artichoke.

Lieutenant Frank Winters of the detective bureau spent his annual leave up along the northern shores of the Pacific. He motored up along the coast with his wife and took in all the points of interest.

Captain Marcus Anderson of the Park district says that Huntington Falls offers as good a place for a vacation as any in the state. There are no fleas, ants, mosquitoes or blue jays to fight away from your grub and a few minutes will bring you to any kind of an eating place one desires.

Sergeant Jack Annear of the Potrero district, well known checker expert, says there are more factories in his district than any other part of the city.

Captain Al Wright of the Bush district says they ought to have another traffic bureau for his district alone. More automobiles fly along Van Ness avenue than any street of its length in the state.

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Detective Sergeant Harry Cook, the philosopher of the detective bureau, maintains that to err is human but to get caught is a bonehead play.

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Officer Herman Hextrum having been so long in Chinatown that when he came to the Latin Quarter he missed his chopsticks when about to eat a plate of spaghetti. Herman is becoming very proficient in *parle Italiana*.

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Officer Graham, of Cap Lemon's district, in his boyhood days was the school's champion marble player.

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Special Officer Otis Berge says:
Without a Van Camp Cigar the Broadway Sports would be dead.

On July 9th the following patrolmen were appointed corporals, being the highest men on the civil service list:

John O'Leary, Cornelius J. MacCarthy, John F. Quinlan and John J. Mullin.

BEFORE the FIRE

EIGHTEEN YEARS AGO

(We are indebted for these clippings from the collection of Special Geo. Badenbauer).

The regular weekly meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners was held Wednesday evening, April 12, 1905.

Corporal Charles J. Birdsall was promoted to the rank of sergeant.

Officers John P. Herlihy and Arthur D. Layne were promoted to the rank of corporal.

Thomas H. White and Louis P. H. Meyer were appointed regular police officers.

J. F. DINAN, Chief of Police.

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Arrest for murder, Pietro Torcirto or Torchi, commonly called "Pete," an Italian, 26 years of age, about 5 feet 4 inches, weight about 145 pounds, smooth thin face, speaks good English, wore dark clothes and dark soft hat; thick lips, heavy black hair; at the time his photograph was taken he wore a small black moustache, which he has since shaved off. He worked here for the American Can Company. He has a brother-in-law working on the railroad somewhere between San Antonio and Houston, Texas.

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Officer Geo. McMahon and Special Otis Berge Capture after a tough fight in Hinckly Alley, Secondino Morales and Tony Riveles. They had stabbed an aged violin maker with a Mexican dagger 50 times.

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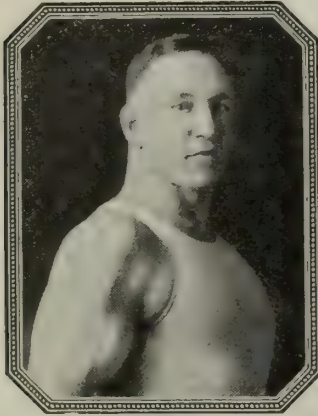
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Begin Exercising In Your Room

By AL WILLIAMS. *Don't Do Those Things Which Will Seem Like Work and Which You Are Not Apt to Keep Up*



Al Williams

When I started these articles I stated that at the finish I would specify a number of set exercises that a person should do in the privacy of the bedroom.

I have changed my mind about suggesting set exercises. I have concluded in the past few weeks that when you make an exercise a "set exercise" you

make that exercise seem like work and that the average person won't keep it up very long.

As a substitute idea I will make the suggestion that every person select the exercise, or exercises, he or she likes best and go through that, or those every morning.

One exercise, as a matter of fact, is as good as another, providing it makes us breathe deeply, limbers our muscles, and loosens our joints.

But we must go through the exercise and not just think about it—we must go through it with the idea of obtaining results.

And another thing. Stretch a point to do those exercises which you most need.

Here is what I am getting at. Suppose you are a slender person. Naturally you can bend and stoop much easier than can a fat person. But the bending and stooping won't do you as much good as it will the fat person.

What you need, probably, is broadening of your shoulders, and expansion of the chest, which the fat person may not need so much, so you should go through those exercises which broaden your shoulders and expand the chest, while the fat person should stoop and bend and do those other things which will reduce the stomach.

So, you see, when I said that you do that which you think is easier for you, or more natural, I did not mean exactly that.

What I ought to have said is that you go through those exercises which you are more apt to keep up.

An Exercise That Everybody Should Do.

A good exercise for general purposes, which is a favorite with most professional athletes, and which you can go through in your room is this:

Stretch out a mat or a big towel on the floor. Then lie on it flat. Stretch out your arms until

they touch the floor horizontal with each other above the head.

Then, without jerking, raise the body from the hips up, and bring yourself to a sitting position.

The arms, naturally, will move too; keep them moving in a semi-circle until the finger tips touch the toes.

And here's a most important thing. As your body moves up take a long breath and keep taking in the air until you finish the semi-circle. Then exhale.

When the air is all out of the lungs drop back to the original flat position on the floor, with arms extended above the head, and go through the performance again.

Do this a half dozen times to start with. Then gradually increase until you can do it two dozen times without becoming tired.

This will require only a few minutes and will do you an incalculable amount of good.

After awhile, when you have mastered the first exercise, try another.

While lying flat put your hands on your hips. Then bring the legs tightly together and lift them from the floor straight up—holding them together.

When they are straight up at right angles to the other part of the body swing them to the right, then to the left, always holding them together.

This sounds easy, but try it; you will find it a harder job than you thought.

But if you can do it, or when you've mastered the trick, swing your legs in a circle, as though they were working from a swivel at the waist.

You will find this very, very tiresome, but as a whole, I think it is the best all-around exercise and the quickest to go through there is.

Properly done this exercise accomplishes nearly everything that can be accomplished through the medium of nearly every other exercise combined.

But don't try it on the bed. The bed is too soft and you will find it much more difficult than if you do it on the hard floor.

This is one of the favorite exercises of Stanislaus Zbyszko, the champion wrestler of the world, and during his last visit to San Francisco he told me that he hadn't missed going through it for the last fifteen years, not even when he was traveling on the train.

I especially recommend this exercise to stout ladies—if there be any ladies who are stout.

ABOUT POSTOFFICE ROBBERS

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where they got into a seven passenger automobile. As they approached their machine I observed they took a careful look around to see that no one was watching them or the auto. I took the license number of their car and checked it up with the motor vehicle department and found the car had been purchased two days previously and registered to R. J. Riley, St. Francis Hotel. No record was found at this hotel of the name of Riley.

I found that the two men occupied one of the best suits at the Manx Hotel. I also discovered that on entering the hotel they never came in together, but one would precede the other by a few minutes. Their actions I discovered were very suspicious.

I reported all these matters to Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson, knowing that at about this time he had considerable information regarding the expected visit of some notorious hold up men in this city, who were en route here, and who were preparing to pull a lot of jobs in this state.

We decided to pick the men up and charge them with mis-registering their car. So about 7 p. m. on March 30 I located the Packard car of the two men. A half hour later I saw McNulty, Riley and a woman enter a cafe on the same block the car was parked. The woman later proved to be McNulty's wife.

I found Police Officer Emmet Flynn patrolling his beat and requested him to assist me in making my investigation. We separated. I took up a place two doors below the restaurant and Officer Flynn above. Presently the trio came out of the cafe, and when they were seated in their car we approached and began to question them about the car. We took no chances and were ready for instant action should the occasion demand it.

Riley said he was a tourist and McNulty said he was a retired electrical manufacturer from Denver. I told them that their car registry was incorrect, and they replied they were not familiar with the local laws and we suggested they drive to the Traffic Bureau where the matter would be taken up and properly adjusted, and where they would be given a traffic book. We also pointed out that it was necessary to keep their registration certificate in plain view in their car.

The men and woman accompanied us to the Hall of Justice and we took them to the detective bureau where I questioned Riley. He informed me he was residing in Oakland with some friends, and denied living at the Manx Hotel. The others likewise denied residence at the Manx. Knowing that they were registered at the Manx I had some suspicions regarding the effects that might be in their suite, so with Officer Flynn I took McNulty

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to the hotel, where he was identified by the manager, and given the key to his rooms. In the suite we found two handbags, which were locked. McNulty volunteered to open them with a fingernail file, stating that his partner had the keys and that the grips contained stamps which they had bought from a "warp" on Market street.

When the grips were opened we found \$3669 in U. S. postage stamps, together with road maps of the state of Washington. While searching the rooms for further evidence the telephone bell rang in one of the rooms, and I answered the call. A man asked for Mr. Collins and I told him Collins was sleeping and I would try and wake him. On checking the phone call I found it came from a public telephone station at Powell and Ellis streets, a block away. I left Officer Flynn with McNulty and went down to the station where I arrested two men in the booth, one holding the receiver for the completion of his call.

The two men said they were calling up a girl and not the Manx Hotel. We took them to the Hall of Justice. They admitted they were negotiating with Riley and McNulty for the sale of the stamps and that they had sold \$2000 worth to a sub station in the outlying district. We recovered these stamps and arrested the purchaser.

With the assistance of Detective Sergeant Henry Kalmbach we got in touch with Postal Inspector George Austin, and he identified the stamps as those stolen from the Olympia post office. In the investigation of the case of the men who were "fencing" the stamps my partner Detective John E. Dolan and myself got a line on all the plunder that was handled in this city.

By covering all baggage possible on railroad trains of the Northwest the two Hartman bags were located and \$21,903 worth of stamps recovered.

Riley and McNulty were formally charged with the robbery of the Olympia post office, taken to the northern city where they were tried and convicted and sent to Leavenworth prison for a long term.

All the property recovered from Riley and McNulty, including two automobiles, jewelry and expensive clothing, together with all the stamps found in this city were turned over to the postal authorities.

Riley was identified by the Chief of Police of Springfield, Missouri, as a notorious gun man, and is held responsible for a \$20,000 payroll job and the shooting of a police officer in Springfield last year.

The apprehending of these men just goes to show how the most insignificant thing can uncover a criminal and clear up a crime, and how the best of crooks have to commit some little thing to give a clue to the police.

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HOTEL DETAIL

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hotel guests fail to lock their doors—he walks boldly in. If the guest is there and wakes up the burglar gives the bathroom stall and exits with apologies. If the guest is a sound sleeper, the burglar starts to loot the room. Should the guest wake up and catch him, the daring thief says, carelessly, "Morning, Charlie, old kid; I just came in to borrow your comb and brush—oh, gee whizz! I sure want to beg your pardon. I—why—excuse me! I thought you were my friend Charlie. I got the wrong room. A thousand pardons, old man. Hope I didn't disturb you."

And he withdraws, nine times out of ten getting away with it because a sleepy guest is none too bright when awakened out of a sound sleep.

Always, the hotel burglars when operating in this manner, wear their clothes under the bathrobe, for in case they have to make a hasty getaway why they are dressed and can go the limit.

Some hotel burglars, instead of using the bathroom stall, use the valet stall. They operate the same way, entering a room they find unlocked and if caught in the room, the stall is:

"Beg pardon, sir, but I am the hotel valet. Have you any articles for pressing, sir?"

When the hotel burglar has "worked the joint" he simply abandons his grip and its worthless contents and walks out of the hotel without checking out or paying his bill. He's gone and all he leaves is his handwriting on the register for future references.

It is extremely difficult for hotel clerks to check up on this type of operator and investigate his baggage as he never leaves his room until he begins his operations and leaves for good. The only manner in which it could be done is for the clerk to note the guests he suspects and have the night watchman on the floors to keep his room under observation. If he's a crook, the watchman will find him wandering around the halls about 6 A. M., and then it would be a cinch. Just let the watchman lose no time in notifying the clerk, who in turn should ring Douglas 20, Room 5, and then see that the fellow does not leave the premises. A detective will arrive in a few minutes and Mr. Hotel Burglar will be caught with the goods or his identity properly investigated.

Officer William Naughton of the Central station says that the nickel in the slot law should apply to everything, even telephone boxes, as it is a nuisance when a guy is in a hurry to have to chase around the block to get a dime changed for a phone call.



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CHIEF O'BRIEN'S EASTERN TRIP

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this convention as Captain Matheson will render a story concerning same.

From Buffalo, New York, he went to Detroit, Michigan, for a day's work with President of the International Association of Chief of Police, William P. Rutledge, who is also the Superintendent of the Detroit Police Department. Plans for the handling of the work of the National Bureau were discussed and an agreeable arrangement entered into. From Detroit he went to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for a conference with police officials there to determine their attitude on the national bureau. From Milwaukee he went to Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota, for a conference on police affairs. A change in police administration was scheduled to take place at Minneapolis about the first of July. The said change is now effective. A conference was held with the retiring Chief who retired of his own free will, but intends to remain in the department to discuss police affairs with his successor in office as chief of police. The conference at St. Paul proved most successful from a police standpoint. From St. Paul various places in Canada were visited where conferences were held with the Canadian Mounted Police. They are at the present time engaged in national forestry work. Local police are handling the police affairs in the various cities. From there the Chief went to Vancouver, B. C., Seattle, Washington, Portland, Oregon, where various conferences were held with the idea of changing the name of the Northwest Association of Sheriffs and Police to the Pacific Coast Association of Peace Officers with jurisdiction from Alaska to Mexico. At a convention to be held in Vancouver, B. C., during the latter part of July, 1923, proper changes and amalgamation will be made. The reputation of the Peace Officers' Association of the State of California and its work are known throughout the United States of America and the Dominion of Canada. The peace officers of the above-mentioned places desire to work and cooperate with officers of the far west and the organization which will be formed in Vancouver, B. C., this month will be the means of getting the desired results. From a police standpoint the trip was indeed profitable. The State of California is known for its police activities throughout this country and the Dominion of Canada. With the organization of the Pacific Coast Peace Officers and the organizations to be established throughout the various states of the "Union" during the coming year, to work in their respective localities and annually to discuss police affairs at the International Convention, it looks as though it is going to be hard work for the criminal to get ahead of the police at the end of another year.



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THE NEW WORLD'S WAR

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P. M. equals the congestion at the Ferry at the same hour.

The count of vehicles and pedestrian traffic on Market street at cross town streets between the Embarcadero and 9th street proves that plans for extension of traffic control must be carried forward through a workable budget that will provide year by year an appropriation for wider streets, new and separate streets for the use of high powered motor vehicles and more streets for use of commercial vehicles, subwaying of parks and public lands for parking spaces, to provide more cross town streets and tunnels, to correct street railway terminals, to provide a system of reduction of sidewalks in commercial districts.

These improvements will be soon needed to cope with the delivery of freight and merchandise and to control the vehicle and pedestrian traffic incidental with the business of the most part of a million people on our streets, whether they are actual residents or not.

The expenditures of large sums of money to create and open up new roadways to handle traffic to and from our doorways, without providing the same ratio of improvements within our portals, will create great traffic problems, when we are overwhelmed by the increased traffic on our streets from the new armies of vehicles brought to us over the invitational roadways.

The traffic problems of every city of over 75,000 people are alarming—the vehicle and pedestrian traffic of cities does not spread itself over but a small portion of its area. San Francisco's problem is unique, by reason of its available business areas and the growing communities that contribute to its daily congestion.

Our problems are increased and will continue to further increase by congestion of vehicles and pedestrians who are with us during the day, but who leave us at sunset.

We are now at the point of time when our traffic problems can no longer be denied. Our people know it, for they are the every day witnesses to the traffic problems that exist at every street crossing and to the efforts of the police department to render the greatest possible efficiency. They also know that traffic regulations require large appropriations to provide for corrective measures, and to increase the force of controlling officers without which traffic laws and regulations are useless to protect the lives of our citizens, and provide for the peaceful flow of commercial business.

A city in which commercial business is hampered is doomed.

To provide a workable system for the regulation of the delivery of merchandise requires

greater enforcement of other traffic regulations, which would result in hardship and great inconvenience to other lines of business or professions.

The continued disposition by many owners of touring cars to evade parking laws is a problem that prevails in every city, and it is a cause of great concern to all traffic commanders.

Firms using from four to ten or more touring cars in connection with their business do not hesitate to allow these machines to be parked in front of other business stores that require the curb line space for the handling of heavy materials at sidewalk elevators.

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ter conditions. These continued violations are not tolerated or condoned in Eastern cities. Continued violations of parking laws, and the practice of parking machines in front of other places of business results in demands for stricter enforcement and reduction of time limits of parking.

The decision of the Board of Supervisors to pave Pine street is an advanced step that will result in a breaking up of traffic congestion on Post and Bush streets.

Streets on the north side of grades preventing use by slow moving machines or by commercial trucks and other like vehicles, are required for the exclusive use of high powered touring cars.

Pacific street was expected to fill this void, but the street grade was not sufficient to exclude trucks and other commercial vehicles.

With California, Clay, Washington and Jackson streets similarly paved to the top of the hills, and with Howard and other streets on the south side opened for fast moving machines, traffic can be diverted from the commercial districts thereby relieving market street to the benefit of street car traffic and pedestrians.

These streets can be declared one way streets which will afford business men quick transit to and from their places of business.

A very grave problem that is presented is the lack of cross town streets continuing beyond the south side of Market street. Any plan of extensions of these north side streets entails prohibitive purchase and destruction of valuable property, but without more of such streets or of double surface, this problem will be of a serious nature in time.

Any scheme of diverting from the present continuous cross town streets, fails for heavy vehicles, through interference with street cars and other traffic.

Some methods should be found that will ultimately close Stockton street to touring car traffic, in the interest of heavy freight and merchandise transportation.

The present street car terminals of O'Farrell, Stockton, Powell and Jones streets are a great obstruction to cross town traffic and the system of the terminals should be changed.

The proposal to subway the intersection of the Embarcadero and Market street should be carried forward quickly.

The rapid increase of vehicle traffic at Eighth and Market streets demands greater supervision and closer regulation of traffic.

Let us therefore be alive to our needs, and provide means to cope with our increasing traffic problems and by doing so avoid the almost hopeless situation now existing in many cities in their participating in this New Worlds War.

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BANK DETAIL

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little Dutchman, Becker, who, with the suave Creegan trimmed the banks of this country and Europe for many a bundle; the one exception was William Brumby, alias Anderson. Brumbey was such an adept and imitative chirographist that he could stand at the side of a person who was writing a check, and make such an exact duplicate of the signature written that the original writer would not swear that the signature was not his. Brumby worked all over the country and was wanted in many cities but it remained for the police of this city to land and put him away. He was convicted of forgery and sent to San Quentin, transferred to Folsom, where he died of tuberculosis.

While Brumby was the cleverest penman of the bunch, Barnett had a much better approach, and having some acquaintance with banking methods was able to offset any preliminary question of a bank clerk's and was thus enabled to garner the unearned increment.

How may this class of crooks be prevented from plying this annoying mode of larceny? The following hint may be helpful: A man about to transact some legitimate business with a bank, goes directly to that department of the bank in which he is to transact his business, and does not loiter about the doors or lobby of the bank, and any person so loitering may be looked on with suspicion. It need not be necessary for an employe to tell the party under suspicion that he is being watched, but let him be watched nevertheless, and such precaution may result in landing a very dangerous customer.

SERGEANT FRED BIERMAN DIES

Sergeant Fred Bierman, for over 20 years a member of the San Francisco Police Department, and of recent years attached to the Park station, died at his home on May 22 after an illness of several months.

During his service in the department Bierman had occupied many stations and made good in them all. He was for a number of years assigned to the detective bureau where he was detailed on a number of prominent cases.

He was a close student of affairs, and by applying his ability along these lines he was successful in winning promotion to corporal then to sergeant and was to take the lieutenant examination last month when he was stricken with his final illness.

Possessed of moral as well as physical courage, Sergeant Bierman was rated a high class officer and in 1912 was cited for commendation by the police commission for meritorious work along police lines.

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THE CRIME OF TROY DYE

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inquiries made, and a conclusion was reached that the two men who landed on the island were the murderers. From the point where Tullis was murdered there were tracks of the two men towards the river, and there the tracks ended. The murderers evidently intended to destroy the boat beyond identification, but through haste or some other cause had left their work incomplete, and even had they thrown all into the stream, the eddy, like the hand of providence, stood ready to receive it and hold it against the guilty ones. Never was the saying "murder will out" stronger exemplified than in this case. For several pieces of the boat were taken from the eddy and upon one of the pieces was a quantity of figures, which, after being multiplied and added gave a product of sixty-four. Now sixty-four feet of lumber, according to the sheriff's figures, would build such a boat, and upon ascertaining from a lumber yard, in Sacramento, of lumber that had been sold there, it was shown that sixty-four feet of lumber was sold to two men, Edward Anderson and Tom Lawton. The salesman there said that the lumber was delivered by the draymen to the residence of Troy Dye, the Public Administrator. The salesman also identified the figures on the lumber as his. Like a row of bricks set up on end once set in motion all follow the evidence piled up. After the murder of Tullis, these two men had met Dye about a half mile up the river, waiting with his buggy for them, and the whole party drove into Sacramento and had got out and eaten some oysters, and after getting into an altercation, the whole party was the worse for liquor, and upon investigation the sheriff discovered that the three men in the party were Troy Dye, Edward Anderson and Tom Lawton, (who made his escape) and this was the link that connected the chain.

Troy Dye, little knowing of the terrible evidence against him, applied for letters of administration on the estate of the murdered Tullis. He was finally arrested at his house, accused of the crime and lodged in jail. Anderson's arrest followed. When Dye was confronted with all this evidence he finally broke down and made a confession, which for cold-blooded, revolting villany and total absence of all feeling of humanity, was perhaps never equalled.

For the possession of gold these men forfeited everything and became blinded to all else and should be a warning, for what is in the love and thirst for riches after all when the sound of the Roll Call comes?

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the granting of parole to three or four-time convicts, and that the factor to be considered in granting parole should be their conduct while outside the prison rather than by their conduct while inside under discipline. And be it further

RESOLVED, that the Association condemns the interference of social nuisances, ill advised meddlers, half-baked individuals and reformers who are constantly proposing and urging the passage of laws that are absolutely unenforcible and constantly interfering with law enforcement and the admiinstration of justice. And be it further

RESOLVED, that self-styled mental experts, psycho-analysts and other fakers who inject themselves for a fee into criminal cases be exploited so that their propaganda will be of no avail.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Association deplores the development of the young potential criminal by lax discipline, the crowded conditions of juvenile institutions, and the constant decline of the average prison age, and be it.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Association stands first, last and always for higher education that develops stability, integrity and patriotism; for better social home conditions and environment, and for religious education: thus standing firmly for the three great fundamentals — the school the home, the church. And be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President appoint a committee of three to report at the next annual meeting the best way, and to make recommendations to prevent crimes of violence.

NEW POLICE OFFICERS

Patrolman Patrick Shannon was promoted to the rank of corporal and the following, from civil service list, appointed as members of the department at the meeting of the Police Commission July 2nd:

Timothy Mahoney, Geo. J. Sullivan, Jas. T. Keeley, Joseph Wikstrom, John Desmond, Earl S. J. Campbell, Edward T. Argenti, Geo. W. Hess, Joseph McLoone, Thos. J. McHale, Edward W. Schuldt, Claude Avedano, Frank R. Pleasants, Thos. J. Price, Archie McNeill, Francis Hoepner, Wm. McRea, Ralph P. Anderson, Frederick J. Nuttman, John J. Kelly, Edward F. Murphy, John Crowhall, Jerome T. Argenti, Clarence H. Thompson, Geo. W. Badaracco, Edward R. Dathe, George P. Wafer.

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ANNUAL CRIME REPORT

The annual report of the work done by the San Francisco police department for the fiscal year 1922-23 submitted this month by Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson to Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien, is a report that any city might well be proud of.

It shows what the police department is doing to prevent crime as well as apprehend the criminal. It speaks well for the vigilance of our police officers, and of the great work they are doing to protect property in this great city of San Francisco. It indicates that the police officers of our department are paying back the people for the favors they have been extended at the polls during the past few years and is an argument that a well paid servant can do the best work.

In major crimes there is a noticeable falling off over the fiscal report of 1922.

The automobile detail with more machines reported stolen makes a greater number of recoveries over last year. Last year the number unrecovered was 54, this year 34.

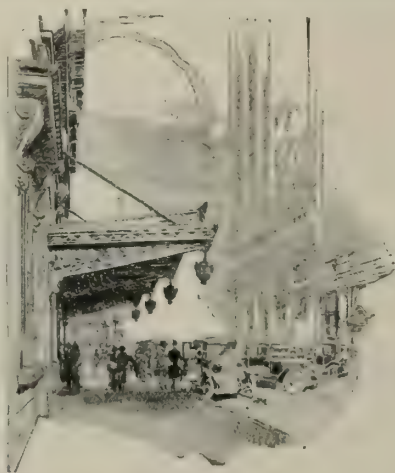
The loss of property this year by crime is \$511,185.56 all of which was recovered but \$76,037.66. Last year the loss was \$642,406.91. All was recovered but \$17,013.26 but a recovery of over \$120,000 stolen away from here and taken from a steamer that touched this port was listed last year as recovered property, credited to this city and with the \$17,000 some odd dollars would make nearly twice the unrecovered property listed this year.

The report follows:

	1923	1922
Robbery	658	647
Burglary	3671	4580
Attempt Robbery	81	90
Attempt Burglary	167	178
Grand Larceny	701	947
Embezzlement	353	301
Bad checks	868	813
Forgery	37	38
Petty Larceny	1909	3942
O. G. F. P.	27	32
	10372	13390

Autos driven away	1999	1768
Autos recovered	1965	1714

Property loss	\$511,185.56	\$642,406.80
Automobiles taken in San Francisco and recovered by other departments.....	57	
Automobiles taken in other counties and recovered by this department.....	71	
Missing people	998	
Missing people located	873	
Murders	34	



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The human foot is wonderfully constructed, and while delicate in its intricate ensemble of bone and muscle, is capable of a tremendous amount of work, if not subject to abuse. Of course, if feet are crowded into narrow shoes, or shoes that slip in the heel; or shoes that provide insufficient support at the arch, soreness, calouses, and corns are the natural result.

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Corns and bunions have no place in a police department, so thoroughly up-to-date as that of San Francisco, and as part of regular equipment, every man who wears a "star" should be required to wear shoes that not only give the utmost of comfort, but which encourage action as well.

Even though a "Cop" has courage to face every danger, and bears a veritable arsenal to bring his quarry to time, he's like a Pierce Arrow with a flat tire if his feet fail him in the pursuit of duty.

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BURGLARY DETAIL

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Pilotek promptly fainted when this evidence was unearthed. Some days later after having time for reflection he gave us information which led to the arrest of Florence Grant at the same address, and then Albert Young, colored and an ex-convict. With Young was his wife, Theus Young, a dope fiend. These were taken in custody at 2011 Buchanan street where all the wearing apparel stolen from the apartment of Mrs. Mack, 1824 Jackson street, was found.

Later Dillard Porter, a dapper young negro, the fourth man of the gang, was captured on O'Farrell street, after a running gun fight with the burglary detail and cornered by Detective I. Finlay.

Porter "talked" and gave the details of the Burlingame job, as well as many others in San Francisco, connecting the quartet with them all.

The \$1500 gold, diamond studded watch stolen from William F. Palmer, 2224 Clay street, was recovered from a man named Perry, running a resort out on the Great Highway, who paid \$100 for it.

In the Palmer burglary the burglar overlooked \$25,000 worth of jewelry hid under a bed.

Mrs. Marks' \$3000 worth of silverware was recovered from a woman with whom Porter had become infatuated.

A wagon load of loot was recovered from a basement of a house at 1310 Webster street. Another lot was found in Pilotek's garage, 6 Hollis street.

A stolen phonograph and some small articles were taken from Porter's room, 1509 O'Farrell street.

A Filipino woman, who was Porter's wife, and living with another man on Stockton street, was so afraid of Porter that she denied knowing him, leading us to another man's room saying, "This is no doubt the man you want." She later agreed to assist us in his capture, saying she was in his room on O'Farrell street the night before and that he had shown her two guns saying he had heard the police were after him and saying he would never go back to jail. He went, however.

While Pilotek was awaiting trial in Redwood City one of the watches stolen from the Newhall house when Seigman was the butler was found in a watchmaker's shop on Ellis street and it was established this watch was left there for repairs by Pilotek.

Pilotek and Seigman pleaded guilty to burglary in San Mateo and the latter got 5 years in San Quentin and Pilotek was deported to Germany.

Porter and Young were each sentenced to an indeterminate term in San Quentin of from 1 to 5 years.

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PORT OF MISSING ARTICLES

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no matter what it is, there is something lost, found, stolen, recovered or what not, and nobody knows what else to do with it, why they turn it over to the police property clerk.

The property clerk is the custodian of all police supplies, even down to the cloth out of which police uniforms are made and the brass buttons and gold braid that goes on them. He must account for every yard and every inch.

The property clerk is the custodian of every single bit of evidence in every criminal case in Superior or Police Court, whether it be an automobile, a bloody dagger or a scribbled letter, and he is responsible for the safekeeping of such from loss or tampering.

The property clerk is the custodian of the property of every single person who is arrested and not immediately released on bail, and whether it is \$100,000 in greenbacks or just an old worn out pocket knife with broken blades, or a torn memorandum book, he is responsible for its return, intact, to the rightful owner. Mind you, not to anyone else—there can be no such thing as a mistaken identity.

The property clerk is the custodian of all lost property, no matter what it is; picked up in the street, left behind in hotel or street car, or however it comes into the hands of the police, and here, too, he must guard against a mistake and be absolutely certain that it goes to the rightful owner.

The property clerk is the custodian of all stolen property that has been recovered by the police or by private citizens and turned over to his care, and once again, must see that such property is given into the hands of the lawful owner.

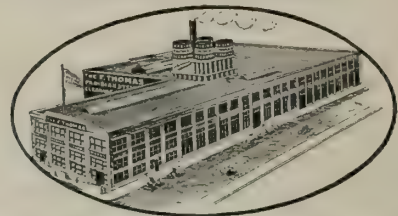
For every bit of property that goes out of his hands, whether it is evidence, turned over to a police officer to be introduced in court, or lost or stolen property turned back to its owner, the property clerk gets a receipt for the same and thereby keeps his records painfully exact. He knows, down to the last item, what property is in his hands and if not in his office, who has it and for what reason.

As Captain Judge says himself:

"I've got to be as careful for the safekeeping of a brass collar button as I do of a six karat diamond, and why not? We have them both in here and many times, as a matter of evidence, the brass collar button is worth more than the diamond."

The property clerk is the custodian of every police record, following the defendant in the criminal case from the time the offense was committed, his subsequent arrest and so on to the final disposition of his case.

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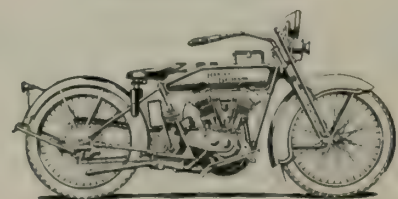
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One naturally wonders what the property clerk does to relieve this terrible, panicky amount of property that keeps accumulating year upon year in his charge. Ah, that's where the annual "Ol' Hoss sale comes in.

First of all, every deadly weapon, pistols, daggers, stilettos, bludgeons, blackjacks, and so on, are taken out in the police launch, out beyond the "Gate" and are dumped in the ocean where they will be safe from further use for dark purposes. The property clerk supervises this and it is his responsibility to see that every last illicit weapon goes overboard.

Then there is a check up of legitimate property and whatever property there is that the property clerk feels will never be called for, it is thrown into the "Ol' Hoss sale" and put on the block and auctioned off by a professional auctioneer. As a general rule, all property, no matter how insignificant, is held for two years before it is sold. Sometimes Captain Judge within his discretion holds property longer, either because of the value of it or because he has good reason to believe that it will be called for some day.

The proceeds of the sale is turned over to the City Treasurer and a fat annual revenue is realized from this source. In the case of lost moeny, it is held for two years and then is turned into the pension fund. When a private citizen finds money or jewelry and is honest enough to turn it into the property clerk, it is held for this period and then, if not claimed, is given to the finder as a reward for his honesty.

There have been times when people have called for their property months after it had been disposed of in the sale and in those instances the City Treasury has made good the value of the property.

To avoid this and to be sure of his ground, before each annual sale, Captain Judge and his staff work night and day inspecting all of the property.

Often they find a card, a union card or a memorandum book with a name, address or telephone number in it and following up this they find the owner of property when said owner has forgotten he ever had such a thing or has given up all hope of ever getting it back.

"Men who are arrested for drunkenness frequently forget to call for their property or lose the receipt given them by the booking sergeant and so, believe their property was lost in the height of their little seige with John Barleycorn," says Captain Judge. "I well remember finding one property envelope about a year ago. It had been in here for nearly two years and there was a watch and \$44 in it. Also, there was a union card. I got in communication with the secretary of the union and found the man the envelope belonged to. He had been arrested as a drunk and

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had lost his receipt and naturally believed himself robbed. When he came into my office he was a little puzzled to know what I wanted him for. I asked him about his arrest two years before. He told me all about it and where he had been arrested. It tallied up so I asked him if he had any money on him at the time. He said he thought he had a few dollars but that he had been robbed. Then I pulled out the watch and \$44 on him and he nearly fainted. Poor devil, he had been out on strike for three months and had only a few nickles in his pocket. Well, he 'God blessed' me all over the place and wanted to give me half of the money. It was surely a blessing to that poor fellow and right out of a clear sky for he was on the point of missing a few meals.

"There was another case similar to that. A widow lady who took in dressmaking for her living and she lost a little black purse with a few dollars in it. It laid in here for months until, finally one day, getting ready for the sale, I looked it over and found a little scribbled note that resulted, after some little trouble, in locating the woman. She badly needed the money, too.

"Sometimes, people are not so grateful to us. Many times a fellow is arrested as a drunk and when he sobers up claims he had hundreds of dollars. As a matter of fact he doesn't know what he had and all we know is what we received from the City Prison and what we have made a careful triple check up on with the records. When they claim they lost money we immediately call in a detective and have the case investigated. One fellow claimed he lost \$700. Said he had it when he was arrested. Detective Sergeant Frank Mc-Grayan began to investigate. Went back to the fellow's room and found the money under the pillow on his bed. The fellow was very apologetic after that."

Yes, there is plenty of work to being a police property clerk and taking care of everybody's property.

"I work continuously and consistently year in and year out," declares Captain Judge, "yet I know that my work is never finished and never will be finished as long as there is a police department. Like Mr. Tennyson's brook, the work goes on forever. This new state prohibition has piled work on this office. We've got to take custody of seized liquors first as evidence and then as confiscated goods. We've got to dump it and the dumping alone would make a day's work every day. Some of the so-called liquor they bring in now days blows up on us and we've got to watch out for that, too. I think if Mr. Wright had a job in this office and saw what extra trouble he causes us he'd never have championed that prohibition bill."

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"Lots of times a drunk, sobered up and dismissed, comes in to get his property and he is minus a hat or a pair of shoes or a coat," laughed Captain Judge. "Well, we can't send the fellow off that way. There's plenty of hats and things around here so we generally dig up what he needs and send him off fully clothed and contented. Sometimes a fellow thinks he has money but when he sobers up finds he has none, and it's a long walk home. Maybe he lives way up in the country somewhere. Well, we manage to dig up fare for him. Fund? No, we have no fund for that sort of thing. Well, we lend him the money out of our own pockets and they always send it back. Well, once in a while they don't but, you can't turn a fellow out hungry and broke, can you?"

That's the way Captain Judge and his staff look at it.

OFFICER JOHN H. COLEN

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Many old time characters of our city used to cross at this point, and were known by their first names by Jack. Such names as appeal to all old timers who will read this. Emperor Norton, Lucky Baldwin, Billy Emerson and Jack Rice of the minstrels; Uncle Jacobs, Cap Harris of the Temple Bar; Scar Faced Charlie, the Bird Man; "Matrimonial Papers," with his whiskers, Harry Maynard, with his Dusky Fighters, Dooney Harris and June Dennis, Monkey Warner and Paddy Gleeson.

Most of the above, if not all, have gone "over the crossing" and beyond.

So Jack has seen all of this, and has weathered some hard old times, especially when the six hour watches were in force, never a day off, and five days vacation a year. In addition to this, an officer on a busy beat would be in court almost daily, always on his own time. So oftentimes he takes time from the crossing to meditate, shakes his old gray head, and says: "Pretty easy for the boys today; eight hour shift, a day off a week (except when occasions demand, and then there is no kick) and 15 days for vacation," so the Old Boy is satisfied.

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On their return from a month's trip East during which they attended the annual sessions of the meeting of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the first official act of Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien and Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson was the appointment of thirty new detective sergeants as set forth in the statement which follows by Hon. Theodore Roche, President of the Police Commission. The people amended the charter to permit of the increasing of the number of detective sergeants, the legislature ratified the amendment and the supervisors provided the necessary money in the annual budget.

The following contains President Roche's statement and the list of appointments, being issued in the form of a company commander's order by Chief O'Brien:

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The following is a copy of a statement made by Theodore J. Roche, President of the Board of Police Commissioners of this city and county, on behalf of the Police Commissioners:

"In making selections for assignments, attachments to special details, advancements and promotions in the Department not covered by Civil Service, it has been the constant endeavor of the present Board of Police Commissioners to divorce the Department from external considerations and base its action upon seniority of service, adaptability, integrity and fidelity to duty.

"To bring the San Francisco Police Department to a high state of efficiency and to thereafter maintain the standards sought to be achieved, and at the same time, avoid unjust discrimination, it was concluded by the Commission that as far as possible, the Department should be placed upon a merit basis.

"The recent Charter Amendment authorizing the appointment of additional Detective Sergeants was conceived by the Police Commission, adopted by the people and ratified by the Legislature upon the definite understanding that it would enable members of the Department already assigned to the Detective Bureau who were performing the same character of service as was rendered by Detective Sergeants, to be promoted to such rank and receive adequate compensation.

"In accord with its definite policy, and in fulfillment of the promise made by the Commission at the time the citizenry of San Francisco was requested to adopt the Charter Amendment, and basing its action exclusively and entirely upon recommendations made by the Chief of Police and the Captain of Detectives, which in turn, find their foundation in the records of the Detective

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"The Commission realizes that there are many splendid members in the Department who are themselves renowned for the possession of those elements and traits which have brought promotion to the individuals above named. Just as quickly as vacancies occur and promotions are permitted, they will be given like recognition as has been accorded to those just appointed."

In compliance with the provisions of Section 6, Chapter 5, Article 8 of the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco, I have on this date designated the above named members of the department as Detective Sergeants, the same to take effect at 8:00 a. m., July 1st, 1923.

Captain Duncan Matheson, commanding the Detective Bureau, will instruct the above named members of his command to report to this office at 10:00 a. m. sharp, on Sunday, July 1st, 1923, for the purpose of taking their oath of office.

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OFFICER KRUEGER VISITS OLD HOME

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Many Burlington boys have turned out to be railroad presidents, or politicians, and leading manufacturers, but William F. Krueger of this city, who returned here today from the Shrine convention at Washington, D. C., won his laurels as a hero on the San Francisco Police Department.

Shot four times and still carrying around a bullet half an inch from his heart, Mr. Krueger dropped into the Gazette office this afternoon to relate a few of the hair-raising incidents which have occurred in his daily routine since he left Burlington back in 1894. The history of his life as a policeman fairly overflows with excitement.

"On August 23, 1919, I stepped out of a pool room on the ground floor of a gambling resort in San Francisco. A high-powered automobile was standing at the curb with the engine running. Two men were in the car. I covered them with my revolver and searched them. There were seven in the gang and the other five were upstairs holding up the gambling room.

"Pushing the two yeggs ahead of me up the stairs I opened the door and the battle was on. All five robbers opened fire on me," said Krueger, displaying the holster of his revolver where one bullet passed through and a pocket book which retarded the speed of another deadly missile.

"After I was hit twice they escaped through the skylight, leaving the \$2200 on the roof. All were captured later and are doing life now."

On another occasion in 1913, Officer Krueger attempted to arrest three burglars, known to the police as Whitey, Humpy, Terry. Just as the policeman was about to follow one of the gang, Terry shot Krueger through the shoulder and another bullet, aimed straight at his heart, missed its mark by half an inch.

The officer fell to the street and despite his wounds fired five shots at the fleeing bandits. Terry was later a member of the gang that caused national interest by holding young girls prisoners in a shack on Howard Street. He was finally lynched by infuriated citizens in Santa Rosa.

For these two acts of bravery, Officer Krueger received three beautiful medals and was awarded meritorious service by the Police Commission. They were magnificently engraved and diamond studded.

On April 16, 1909, he had another narrow escape when, after rescuing a number of people from a burning hotel, he was trapped by the flames and forced to jump from the roof of the building into a fire net to save his own life.

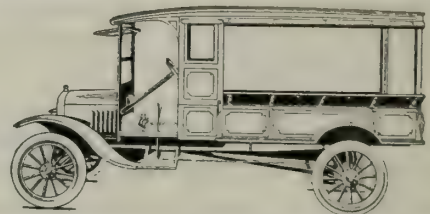
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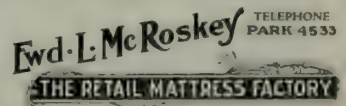
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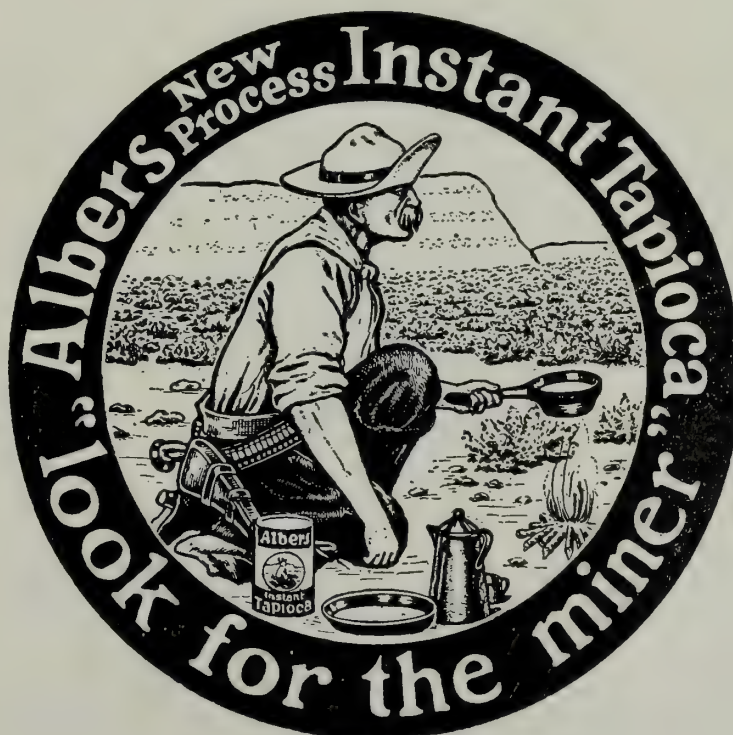
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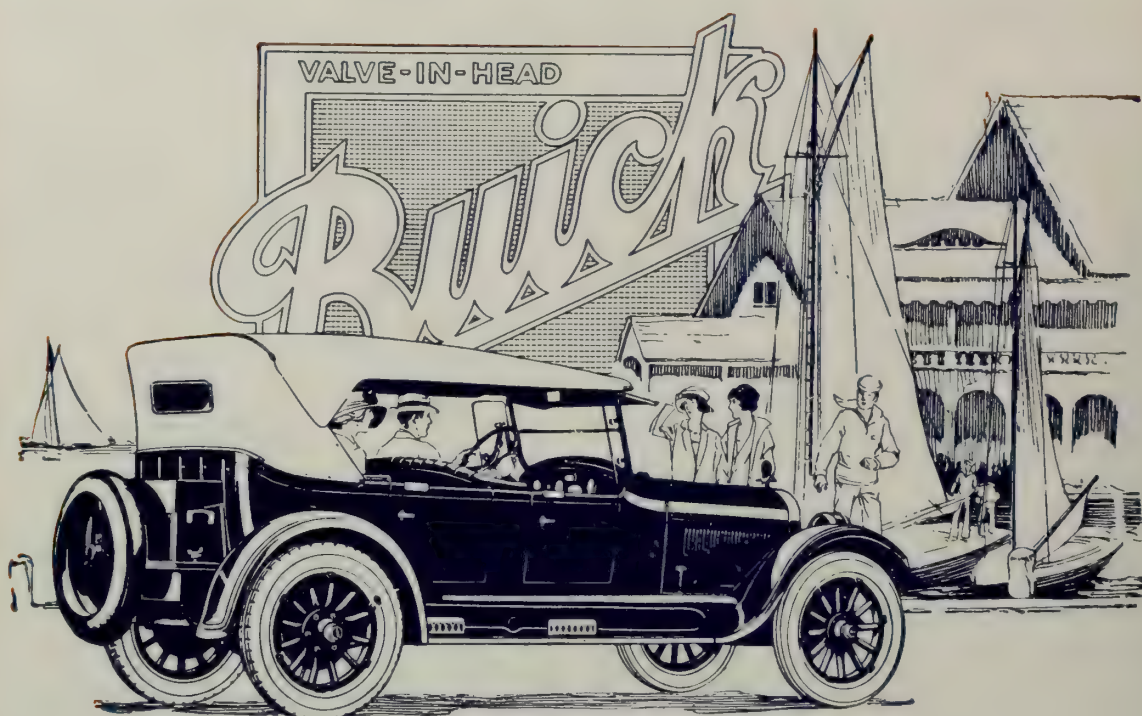
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Guarding President Harding

San Francisco Police Department Has to Change Plans for a Gala Festival to Making Arrangements to Send Body of President Harding on Saddest Funeral Trip in World's History, By LESLIE C. GILLEN

Busy days—unusual, unlooked-for, unexpected days, marked the past couple of weeks in San Francisco.

The preparations, hurried and elaborate, to welcome the arrival of the late President Warren G. Harding and his official party, first. It seemed that the whole city, everybody in San Francisco, was busy and Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien and his department were easily the busiest.

First, it was the preparations to welcome the arrival of the Nation's chief, and then everything went topsy-turvy. How well every San Franciscan knows it.

The late executive was taken seriously ill en route and arrived nearly two days ahead of schedule, before San Francisco had fully donned her carnival dress; the cancellation of the lengthy and prided programme of entertainment for the Presidential party because of the same illness; the anxiety of the vigil on the crisis of the President's condition; the report of his recovery; then, the unexpected and shocking tragedy of his death that came at the end of the most optimistic day of his ailing; the frantically hurried arrangements for a fitting departure of the revered official's remains to the Nation's Capitol, and finally, those arrangements carried out to the letter making one of the most awe-inspiring spectacles ever before witnessed in San Francisco.

Is it little wonder, then, why all San Francisco was busy and is it any wonder at all why Chief O'Brien and the entire police department was busy during the past score of haphazard, trying days?

Sad and heartrending at it all was, aghast at the shock, and grief-laden at the unhappy ending of President Harding's visit to one of the fairest

cities of his domain, as every San Franciscan was, still, withal, there shines out something of which every San Franciscan may well be proud.

Even at a time like this, once more it has been proved that San Francisco Knows How—in everything she undertakes. New York City, no, nor even Washington, D. C., itself, could have handled this heartbreaking, untimely situation, with its handicaps of warningless events and almost impossible things to be done in a wholly inadequate time; and yet, handle it so well and so befitting the event of a century.

San Francisco, the furthestest boundary, the frontier, the wild, uncouth extreme edge of the United States, as the easterners see us, did this thing. San Francisco realized that a beloved man, a President of the United States, successor of Washington, Lincoln, and the other great men of this great nation, had been stricken within her gates. And she cared for him as tenderly and reverently, guarding him against discomfort and danger, as could have Washington, D. C., the dean, the veteran, the experienced and educated city of all the United States in this particular type of etiquette.

And the men responsible for this show of good taste and this proof of the ability of the so-called uncouth west, were a handful of San Franciscans and the entire San Francisco Police Department. These capable men were Mayor James Rolph, Commissioner Theodore Roche, Chief O'Brien, Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson, and every other single member of the police department for each and every one discharged his task in a most praiseworthy and capable manner.

A signal honor was shown Chief O'Brien when the entire policing of the unusual affair was left absolutely and solely in his hands. Police de-

tectives held their places side by side with the United States Secret Service men from the time the ailing President arrived in San Francisco until the sad day they bore him away.

And that day Chief O'Brien and his men had complete charge of the affairs, traffic, arrangements and all, the military, naval and government officials glad to find such a capable man to bear the burden of the task so well and graciously co-operating with him.

"Whatever you say, Chief O'Brien. You know best. We are leaving everything in your hands."

This is the way high government officials spoke to Chief O'Brien when the big things had to be done and done quickly.

And let it be said, without boasting, that the trust and responsibility was not misplaced. Chief O'Brien and the entire police department executed their double duties proudly, reverently and fittingly. The numerous letters that have come to Chief O'Brien since then from the highest in the land is prime facie evidence that the duty of the police was well done.

In the first place, Chief O'Brien, Captain William Quinn, his chief clerk, Captain of Detectives Matheson and Captain Henry Gleeson of the traffic bureau, spent the better part of two weeks arranging the details of the President's arrival. Details of patrolling, guarding and handling traffic, and all to be done so that it would not conflict or interfere with the regular police business, had to be laid out.

Then, overnight, all of these plans were shattered when news of the President's illness and change of programme were received here and yet, next morning, Chief O'Brien and his commands were on the job and the welcome of the unexpected arrival went off as smooth as velvet from a police standpoint.

The management of the Palace Hotel, realizing the graveness of the task of guarding a President of the United States, placed a suite adjoining the Presidential suite at the disposal of Chief O'Brien. The police executive made this his headquarters and virtually lived there during the fateful stay of President Harding. News dispatches declared that President Harding was the most carefully guarded President that ever visited San Francisco.

Then, totally unexpected on that Thursday evening, there was a ruffle of mysterious excitement stirring the heretofore quiet vicinity of the Presidential suite on the eighth floor of the Palace Hotel. And finally, the shocking news: "President Harding is dead!"

"What next? What should I do in this case? What should be done?" These are the thoughts that must have crowded the brain of Chief O'Brien. What he did was noted and remarked

upon by many a citizen.

Before the news of the President's death had reached the outside, the police guard around the Palace Hotel from the roof to the basement was reinforced. A cordon thrown around the temporary White House, and a very inspiring detail had not been forgotten in the excitement. Every police official wore a draped star and white gloves. And when the crowds, as the news spread, began to swarm the Palace Hotel to see what they could see, there was ample police to regulate things.

All night the vigil was held and the next morning, Chief O'Brien, Mayor Rolph and Commissioner Roche conferred with high officials and laid out the funeral arrangements. That evening saw the multitudes bidding a sorrowing farewell to their dead President, and thanks to the police, there was never a mishap in any shape or form.

San Francisco may well be proud of her Police Department.

CHIEF AUGUST VOLLMER TO LOS ANGELES

Chief of Police August Vollmer of Berkeley, famous "scientific" policeman, August 1 was appointed chief of police of Los Angeles.

Chief Vollmer accepted the appointment and assumed his new duties a few days later. The announcement was made by Mayor George E. Cryer. He succeeds Chief of Police Louis D. Oaks, resigned.

While visiting Los Angeles several weeks ago, Chief Vollmer was asked by Los Angeles interests to secure a leave of absence from Berkeley and to come to this city and systematize the Los Angeles department along scientific lines.

Two weeks later Los Angeles officials repeated the request and Chief Vollmer, following a conference with Berkeley officials agreed to take the position.

Because of much lawlessness with scores of daily reports of thefts, robberies, pickpocketing, assaults and murders, Los Angeles about a year ago appointed a crime commission including in its personnel many prominent men and women of this city.

In its effort to combat crime the commission made a study of various police methods including those devised by Chief Vollmer and adopted by police departments throughout the nation for the prevention of crime and the capture and handling of criminals. After calling Vollmer into conference on their investigations, the members of the commission agreed on his selection as head of the Los Angeles department.

Chief Vollmer is declared to have organized the most highly scientific city police department in the United States at Berkeley. His methods of scientific criminal detection and identification have been adopted by cities throughout the world.

Captain Eugene Wall

Commander of Ingleside District, Largest Police Section of City Has Had Varied Experience Since Joining Department Nearly 32 Years Ago

Captain Eugene Wall of the Ingleside district, whose likeness adorns the cover page of Douglas 20 this issue, has been a member of the San Francisco police department since October 9, 1891.

He was born in Kilkenny, Ireland, February 7, 1865. He went through the grammar and high schools and graduated from St. Johns College at Waterford. When 19 years of age he came to this country arriving here in 1884. He came direct to San Francisco, where he has since resided.

Upon his entry into the police department he was assigned to Company A, then under command of Captain Douglass, and sent out to patrol Golden Gate avenue from Steiner to the cemeteries, which in those days was the loneliest beat in the city. He had as companions on adjoining beats, however, Captain Henry Gleeson, now of the Traffic Bureau, who walked a beat on Octavia and Laguna, Captain Herbert Wright of the Bush district who was on Haight and Steiner and Captain Bernard McManus, now retired, who was on Buchanan and Webster.

Later Captain Wall was assigned to every station in the city and as a patrolman covered every district from the front to the Cliff House, and from the Bay to the county line. He did duty as a patrolman, and sergeant in the tough days of the Barbary Coast, in the South of the Slot district when it was not the most quiet place in the world, and in Chinatown when the Chinese were running wild, and in all of his work he never had anyone thirsting for his blood though he was called upon to take a hand in some mighty tough "kicks."

Taking advantage of the adoption of the charter by this city, whereby policemen could secure advancement by passing civil service examinations for promotion he quickly climbed the ladder to a captaincy.

He was appointed a corporal July 1, 1902; a sergeant September 4, 1903; a lieutenant October 1, 1904 and a captain August 1, 1909.

As a captain he has had charge of every station in the city with the exception of the Richmond and Park.

In February, 1910, Washington's birthday anniversary, he was put in charge of the detective bureau, holding that office for two years and nine months, and afterwards was sent to take charge of the Ingleside district.

As captain of detectives he obtained the information that led to the arrest of J. Wendling, the

murderer wanted in Louisville, Kentucky, for the murder of a young girl whom he buried in the basement of a church. He detailed Tom Burke, then a detective sergeant, and George Ryan on the case and they arrested Wendling who was taken back to Kentucky and punished.

Though there was a large reward for the arrest of Wendling the local officers never received a cent of it.

Captain Wall also handled the case that led to the execution of Rogers, the boxmaker, who murdered K. Goldman in the basement of a wholesale house with a hatchet.

Another case that attracted wide attention during Captain Wall's time in the detective bureau was the case of James E. Grant, alias Robert Thompson, who was arrested Sept. 23, 1910, for the murder of Eva Swan.

Miss Swan was a school teacher and disappeared in April, 1910. She was last seen going into Swan's office, 1293 Golden Gate avenue. She was never seen alive after that.

It was the contention of Captain Wall that the girl went to the office of Swan for an illegal operation. This theory was right for after weeks of working it was found that she had died under such an operation. The body was taken out to an address on Eureka street, and Swan with the assistance of another man, dug a hole in the basement of the house, stood the body in the hole, burned the face with acid, and after filling up the grave put a cement floor over the basement bottom.

As a patrolman he served under Commissioner Jesse Cook, then a sergeant, later when a lieutenant, Sergeant Cook was one of his platoon sergeants, and he served under Commissioner Cook, when he was chief and now as he says, as police commissioner. He declares that few men have been on the waterfront who had a wider knowledge of conditions along that shipping district than did Commissioner Cook.

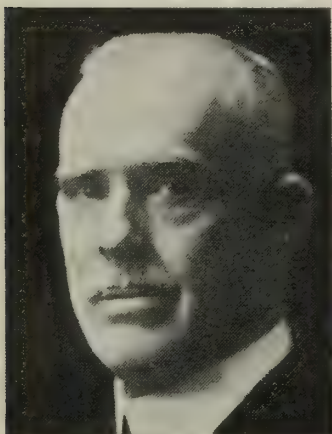
Captain Wall recalls the morning of the earthquake of 1906 when Sergeant Cook rushed into the Harbor station and expected to find all the men there dead, so anxious was he to get to his station that he looked like he had been through a wreck when he did get to the ruins what marked the station.

Few captains enjoy the loyalty of his men that Captain Wall does, and this is easily understood when one knows his policy in dealing with the

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Northwest Peace Officers Organize

CAPTAIN OF DETECTIVES DUNCAN MATHESON Tells of Meeting of Chiefs of Police and Sheriffs of Pacific Coast at Vancouver, Who Form Association to Fight the Crook



Captain Duncan Matheson

The Northwest Association of the Chiefs of Police and Sheriffs held its annual convention in Vancouver, B. C., on July 23, 24, 25 and 26th, inclusive. Membership is confined to the Northwestern States, the Western Provinces of Canada and Alaska. Superintendent Morrill of the State Bureau and myself were

the only representatives present from the State of California. The attendance was large and the sessions were well attended.

The subject matters for consideration and discussions were: international criminals, drug traffic, uniform records, circulars and systems of identification, causes of crime, crime prevention, Northwest College of Criminology, Law enforcement problems, new criminal types, Canadian and United States Pardon and Parole Systems, Police Systems of the United States and Canada, auto theft, traffic, uniform traffic laws, bank robberies, payroll holdups, bank protection and protection of money and securities in transit.

These problems are not peculiar to the Northwest but are National and are now causing attention in the Dominion of Canada. Safe blowing and bank robberies in suburban districts and small towns, near the International Boundary are prevalent. High powered automobiles make it possible to rob a bank near the border, and when the crime is discovered the perpetrators are miles away beyond the reach of the local officers.

The international criminal operating on either side of the border is a serious problem, first as to his apprehension and second as to his extradition after arrest. Something must be done to simplify Interstate Rendition and Extradition. Every legal technicality is interposed to prevent the return of a fugitive to the place having jurisdiction so much so, that it appears that the state where the fugitive is found is anxious, even desirous of his remaining with them. It sometimes appears that it is an advantage to be an undesirable.

Drug addiction and drug traffic are favorite topics for discussion everywhere, and the great majority of people, including even reformers are firmly convinced that the only way to stamp out

these evils or reduce them into a minimum is to impose maximum jail sentences. If this is true why not apply the same principle to other crimes? What a howl reformers can make when they want to climb on the **band wagon of public opinion**. The association firmly stood for the rigid enforcement of all laws prohibiting the use and sale of drugs.

Training men and women for police service has assumed many forms and schools of instruction are maintained in many departments. Methods of training, however, are not uniform. Some departments take recruits and place them in barracks under competent drill instructors, where they are drilled and taught the use of firearms and equipment. They are also instructed in court procedure and the proper way to testify in court. They are detailed with an experienced officer on patrol duty to receive the necessary instruction about patrolling a beat. This, however, is not sufficient. This method, however, does not keep pace with the ever varying criminal situation. It is absolutely necessary that officers must have up-to-date technical knowledge of police work. Having this in mind the association went on record favoring the Northwest College of Criminology to be located at Seattle.

The college is to be independent, fully equipped with suitable apparatus and competent staff to impart the necessary technical knowledge for police service. It will be financed by private subscription only and expects to recruit its students from police departments, peace officers throughout its jurisdiction and also from those that intend to enter police or detective service in various capacities. University of California has during its summer session a very attractive course in criminology open to all who wish to take advantage of it. The course is popular and no doubt will become a feature of the University.

Probation and Parole received a great deal of attention and maudlin sentiment and sympathy for criminals were severely condemned. H. S. Wood, Esq., Crown Prosecutor of Vancouver, B. C., is the Chairman of the Committee of the Vancouver Bar Association on Law Enforcement, and that Committee recommended as follows:

Probation and Parole.

The many suggestions in the report with reference to ticket of leave, parole, probation, extramural acts, etc., require very grave consideration, and should not have approval without it. It seems to us that these are matters with which law

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Public Spirit Club Welcomes Chief

By a Member of the Club, Who Writes of Signal Honor Paid Police Head on Return from the East

At the first luncheon meeting of the Public Spirit Club following the return of Chief O'Brien from the convention of the International Association of Police Chiefs, Chief Daniel J. O'Brien occupied the seat of honor and was accorded a hearty "welcome home."

The Chief made a brief talk and for the second time in the history of the Club was honored by the members standing and giving three cheers. The only other member of the Public Spirit Club ever honored in that fashion was Mayor James Rolph several months ago when he arose to the defense of Judge Graham when his elevation to the Federal Bench was opposed.

Membership in the Public Spirit Club carries a moral obligation to work for the "Greatest Good for the Greatest Number," regardless of politics, creed or class, and loyalty to public servants who "make good."

Chief "Dan" is one of the most popular men of that Club—his proven ability, unquestioned integrity and sincerity have made him strong with all members of this Club of leading men, and I may add that only men of the highest type are invited into the Public Spirit Club.

The principles of the Public Spirit Club are most serious, but all good men enjoy a little frivolity and the Chief was given the "raspberry" at the meeting above mentioned. A left-handed, awkward, insolent waiter was engaged. His main business was to annoy the members and make himself generally obnoxious, which he did most successfully, arousing the ire of all of the members by his carelessness and clumsiness. Finally in a lax moment between courses he nonchalantly lit a cigarette and threw the match box in the Chief's plate. It looked like twenty years for the waiter! But when Dan was pacified and the head waiter apologized everything went along serenely until the president of the Club, George B. Monk, announced that a surprise was in store for "Dan," that some of the officers and directors had met together informally and had chipped in to buy "Dan" a present "as a token of esteem." While Monk was making the presentation speech, he interrupted himself long enough to instruct the only waiter who happened to be handy, (the clumsy guy) to bring in the present. As the waiter approached with the gift, a large handsomely painted punch bowl, he stumbled and the bowl was shattered into a thousand pieces—and the "boob waiter" by way of apology, said he couldn't help it—"that big stiff, (meaning Col. McKell) got his foot in the way." When the

smoke cleared President Monk announced that he was "even" with Dan, and recalled the meeting last October when the Chief had him dragged out of the luncheon meeting in the Palace Hotel by Officer McDermott for no more serious offense than getting married without giving a farewell party.

It then transpired that the "boob waiter" was Earl DeForrest, well known local magician and sleight of hand performer. DeForrest then "squared himself" by "doing his stuff."

The Chief accepted the "josh" and after a few words of appreciation to DeForrest on the way he "pulled it off," addressed the members as fol-



Chief Daniel J. O'Brien, Boosting Douglas 20 at Buffalo Convention

lows: "Gentlemen, our president; you can't kid me. I have been kidded by experts. In my business nothing surprises me. If you want to learn to expect the unexpected, become the Chief of Police in a big city. While we were having luncheon, Kendal Dazey, sitting by me, asked my professional opinion as to the particular kind of dope this "waiter" had been using. That is only one variety of countless questions a Chief of Police is expected to answer every day. I can't answer them all myself but within our organization we have technicians who can answer any question you can think of—even 'How old is Ann?' Don't hesitate to call on us for information. We are your employees; every man in the police depart-

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Pickpockets and Buncomen

Lecture Given by DETECTIVE SERGEANT THOMAS CURTIS at University of California Class on Criminology. Tom and His Partner, Detective Ed. Wiskotchill, Know This Subject Well



Detective Sergeants Thomas Curtis and Ed Wiskotchill

On Tuesday, July 31st, 1923, Detective Sergeant Thomas J. Curtis of the Bunco and Pickpocket detail of the San Francisco Police Department, addressed the University of California Summer Class on Criminology, on the subject "Pickpockets and Buncomen—their modis operandi."

Detective Curtis has had many years' experience on his present detail, and, during that time has arrested and secured the conviction of some of the nation's greatest crooks, among whom might be mentioned Leo Stein, alias "Dutch Schulz"—America's best known and cleverest pickpocket for many years; also David Corrin, one of the cleverest local pickpockets ever convicted. Many noted buncomen are now in San Quentin and Folsom prisons owing to the uncanny efforts of Detective Curtis and his partners of the Pickpocket and Bunco detail of the San Francisco Police Department.

In his lecture, which was declared by the students of the criminology class at the University of California Summer Session to be one of the most interesting and instructive they had received, Detective Curtis outlined in detail the training, the wiles, the multitudinous plans of the successful pickpocket or buncoman and their allies. He showed that pickpockets or professional bunco work is a matter of finesse; that this class of criminal is of the very keenest intellect and covers up his work so thoroughly that after having encompassed his arrest it is well nigh impossible to secure his conviction.

Detective Curtis told the students of the difficulty to catch the single-handed pickpocket, that is, the man or woman who has the courage to "work alone," with nothing to conceal his or her quick work of extracting purses or valuables but an overcoat or "tog." Such criminals are caught operating only by a careful scrutiny of faces—thousands of them—and quick judgment and action on noticing one that looks and acts the part. He then went into great detail on the work of what is called a "mob," or "troupe," such being composed of any number from two up. Number

one is known as the "stall," his business being to block or jostle the victim, while number two, known as the "wire," extracts the purse, "poke," or "leather" and passes same to number three who is working on what the fraternity call the "heel." Said "heel" has the duty of "reading" or "weeding" the victim's property which duty is virtually separating the money or valuables from the purse or container and from the articles in same which might be used in identifying the property in case of said "heel" being arrested with the "goods." To show that there is no age limit in the pickpocket profession the lecturer told the story of John Bellows who dressed himself out as a prosperous old gentleman (wearing of course the proper credentials) and went on the Grand Army special train to a Grand Army convention in the East some years ago, and who created such sympathy by trying to strike a fellow Grand Army man who complained of being "touched" for his purse by a young man in the same coach and who held on to said young man, whose father John Bellows claimed to be, that the young man quietly slipped away in the excitement and the purse still remained on the floor. Thus John's quick thinking saved his "mob," consisting of two young men one of whom was the above mentioned "son" of Mr. Bellows, the supposed Grand Army man who had his "mob" working overtime on the Grand Army special.

He also recounted tales of the Furey brothers, mentioning in particular the work of the handsome Tom Furey who operated on a President Roosevelt train in the East, posing as a secret service man in charge of several operatives who were in reality only members of Tom's "troupe."

He related the story of the Italian bunco steerer, showing number one—steerer, meeting the victim and gaining said victim's confidence, and then leading him to some secluded spot, where number two appears as if by accident on the scene and tells them he wants to see the big boss of the Church. When number one informs him that they are from Italy he commences to cry—having a piece of an onion in the corner of his handkerchief to rub to his eyes and necessarily bring real tears. The tearful man's father has sent him from Italy to give a large sum to the local clergy to be given away in charity because said father had wronged some poor people here in San Francisco years ago and now wishes to die in peace with God by giving this large sum for distribution to the poor of San Francisco. The "steer" now

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Chinese Police Courts

By WILFRED TUSKA of M. J. Brandenstein, Coffee Importers, Who Describes Methods of Dispensing Justice in Hong Kong



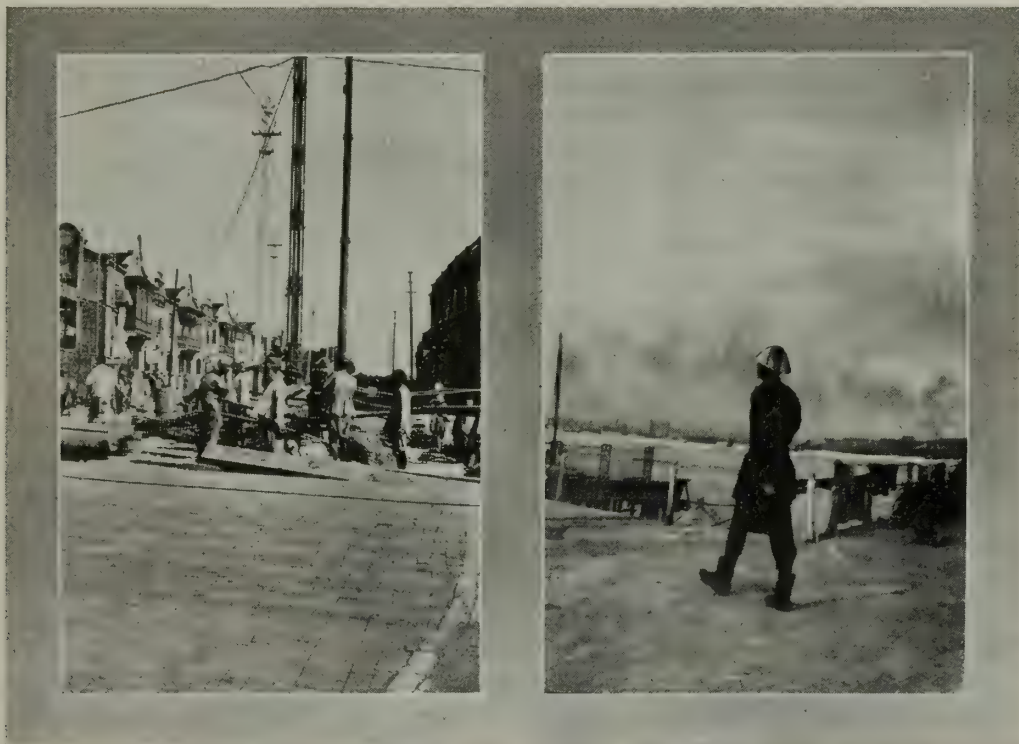
Wilfred Tuska

The thermometer registered about 95 degrees, the atmosphere was very stuffy—nothing out of the ordinary, however, for a summer's day in the Tropics. Nestled on the hillside surrounded by a high stone-wall stands the Central Office of the Hong Kong Police Department. Within the enclosure may be found the Identification Bureau, Police Pass-port Department, living quarters for a great many of the white policemen and their families, and a section set aside for the Indian and native officers. In one extreme corner is the prison containing offenders of various types, in another is the court-room from which many an offender has tread his steps to spend weeks, months or years as a guest of the Hongkong Government.

This court may be compared to our police court.

It was on one of these days as described above that I visited the court-room when the judge ran through a crowded calendar in clock-work fashion. The court-room was jammed with Chinese and Indian spectators, interpreters, barristers and two whites, the judge and myself. Punkers, doing the work of electric fans, swayed backward and forward but did little more than sweep the hot-air from one part of the room to the other and thence back. Jabbering was at its height when suddenly a lull settled over the room. The door of the judge's chamber opened from whence emerged the judge; a tall man but very lean with rather a small head set with eyes that had the power to pierce through the Chinese mind and get the truth within although not spoken outwardly.

The judge took his seat upon the bench. "Rap" went his gavel and all was still. He turned to the bailiff requesting the first "case" be brought before him. The prisoners awaiting trial are locked up in a queer sort of a dock which resembles



Scenes About Hong Kong. Chinese Policeman Patrolling Beat

It is presided over by a judge who, after hearing testimony on both sides, hands down his decisions. Every case is carefully analyzed before sentence is passed. Years of training on the bench and a thorough knowledge of Chinese criminology enables the judge to render decisions in a quick unbiased manner.

an enlarged dry-goods case about four feet high, from the top of which protrudes iron pickets another three feet. All that is visible of John Chinaman is his head and as he moves about in the dock it gives the appearance of a bodyless-head floating in the air.

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DETECTIVE BUREAU

CAPTAIN OF DETECTIVES DUNCAN MATHESON in Charge



AUTO DETAIL



No Police Department in the country equals the record made by the Auto Detail under command of Sergeant Arthur McQuaide. Besides recovering stolen machines the men under Sergeant McQuaide convoy payrolls, maintain a night shotgun patrol of the entire city and have made a reputation that is known all along the coast.

The recovery of stolen machines in San Francisco by the automobile detail of the San Francisco Police Department under the direction of Sergeant Arthur McQuaide, furnishes more food for comment than any other line of work in this city.

Unlike most large Eastern departments, where police records do not include the cheaper makes of cars in their reports of stolen autos, here we include them all.

The record for the year 1923 by month is as follows:

	Stolen	Recovered	Out
January	140	139	1
February	151	147	4
March	193	190	3
April	156	155	1
May	139	133	6
June	118	116	3
July	145	136	9

CAPTURE OF TWO BAD MEN

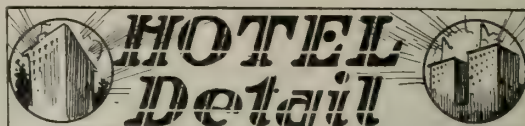
By SERGEANT CHARLES DULLEA

In June, 1922, following a series of spectacular holdups by automobile bandits, known in the underworld as "redhots," Los Angeles police officials broadcasted for help in rounding up the gang.

The southern city police department rounded up a part of the gang but were unable to get the ring-leaders, whom the police learned were J. W. Cave, former hotel clerk, and E. A. McNab, former chauffeur for leading motion picture stars in Los Angeles. These men adopted several aliases.

On June 26 last a special bulletin was issued by the Los Angeles police, appealing to all peace officers of the state to bend every effort in apprehending McNab and Cave, and warning the offi-

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Detective Sergeants Fred Bohr and John Dolan of the Hotel Detail tell of the clever and daring manner in which hotel thieves operate and how it is almost impossible to "get them with the goods" unless assisted by hotel clerks and hotel men.



MISTAKES SOME HOTELS MAKE

By DETECTIVE SERGEANT FRED BOHR

The mistake most hotels make when jewelry or other valuable property is missed and reported to the hotel management, is to at once try and hush the matter up, fearful of publicity, and pinning hopes on the fact that maybe the guest simply mislaid the articles that are reported missing, and that they will in some unforeseen manner turn up.

The manager or clerk to whom the reports are generally made usually treat such reports in a confidential manner, and continue to do so from two to four days. Then if no developments are observed they then appeal to the police. This is a grave mistake, for much valuable time has been lost and the work of the detectives assigned on the case is greatly hampered.

As a rule we find in such cases that the articles lost may have been misplaced, sometimes sent to the laundry with soiled clothing. Some help of the hotel is in most cases told to search the room, and they do so. Many times they find the jewelry in the rooms and keep it, some times the articles get to the laundry and some dishonest employe gets ahold of it and immediately takes possession. At other times the loss will become known to other guests who may have a chance to get into the rooms from which the articles are missing and they pocket them if found.

All these things lessen the chances of the police locating and restoring that which is missing.

On the other hand the guest losing chattels make a grave mistake for nearly in all instances they at once suspect the maid or some attache of the hotel. We have found that the employes of hotels, who have to do with the work of arranging

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BURGLARY *Detail*

By RICHMOND TATHAM

Sam Axelrod, house painter and interior decorator, in jail, thousands of dollars worth of stolen property has been recovered, and a large quantity of it has been restored to the people who were robbed of valuables of many kinds.

The arrest came last month, when the burglary detail, under command of Detective Sergeant Richmond Tatham, and composed of Detective Sergeants Thomas Hyland, Jack Palmer, Earl Rooney, James Gregson, Detectives Joseph Lippi, Irwin Finlay and Richard Hughes, acting on tips given the police by a woman who had located a shotgun stolen from her home some months ago, lying in a gunstore on McAllister street.

Swooping down on the home of Axelrod, whom the police found had sold the gun, the officers found a home fitted up with stolen property. In the basement and spare rooms were cases and trunks packed full of loot. A big truck had to be used to get all the recovered property down to headquarters, where it was displayed in the Police Commissioners' room, that the throngs who poured into the hall when they were advised of the display, might have the best opportunity of identifying their property.

Axelrod, who says he worked alone, took everything he could carry away, jewelry, clothes, pieces of furniture, carpets, furs, gowns, cut glass, silverware, toys, in fact everything that he could move. He saved some of the loot, totalling thousands of dollars, but he sold a lot of it.

Women coming in to see if their property was in the list taken from Axelrod, found in many instances that their silk dresses and gowns had been made up into lamp shades by Axelrod's wife.

Some of the people who found their property, had been robbed two years ago and had given up all hope of ever recovering any of it.

Axelrod confessed that he has been operating at nights for some two years, and he assisted to some extent the officers in recovering some of the things he had sold or pawned. The jewelry he declares he sold to a firm that is now out of business and though the burglary detail believes he is holding out some information on this point, have been unable to locate any of the many valuable pieces of jewelry they know he has taken and in many cases which he admits having taken.

The man is charged with burglary and probably will be charged with many cases before the police get through with him.

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PAWN SHOP *DETAIL*



Lieutenant
Henry Powell

Lieutenant Henry Powell and the members of the pawnshop detail knocked over a good one the other day and made a recovery for a sister county that indicates how the system used in our police department makes the locating of stolen goods brought to this city an easy matter.

The case:

On August 7th, the safe of the Yuba Consolidated Gold Dredging Company at Yuba City was broken into and \$5000 worth of platinum, \$100 worth of gold nuggets and 50 pounds of quicksilver stolen. The robbery was broadcasted throughout the state.

Two days later Detective Sergeants James Regan, Ernest Gable and John J. Callaghan located the platinum in a pawnshop in this city, obtained the name and address of the man who sold it, and in a couple of hours more had Charles Coil in custody.

Coil was taken north by Sheriff Charles J. McCoy of Yuba County.

That the pawnshop man was sincere in his belief that he was buying platinum from a man who owned it, is borne out by the fact that he had no hesitancy in making a report of it in his daily report to the police, and when he found he had bought stolen goods he did everything possible to assist the officers.

With this check on the pawnshop and second-hand stores the pawnshop detail gets trace of many things that are stolen and "mined," as the saying goes, in this city.

Speeders! Stop—and think a bit,
Or you'll get the worst of it
For San Francisco's Force is on the job.

You can't run a fellow down,
Speed along and skip the town,
When San Francisco's Force gets on the job.
When you think you're getting by,
Someone gets you on the fly,
One from San Francisco's Force will do the job.
Don't try speeding for a thrill,
For you'll have to pay the bill
To the San Francisco Force—they're on the job.

Follow rules and never fail
If you would keep out of jail
For San Francisco's Force is on the job.

—"BOB" H. SCHAEFER.

Athletes of Our Department

By EVELYN WELLS. *Third of Series of Stories Dealing With San Francisco Policement in Field of Sport. Another Will Appear in Next Issue*

Another officer to spar with Choynski was Jack Atridge. Jack is dead now, but about thirty years ago he was one of the fastest lightweights in the city. Once, at the Olympic Club, he won out in one of the toughest tournaments ever staged there.

He never became a professional, although there are many who declare he might have had the



Evelyn Wells

championship without half trying. But he was content with amateur boxing.

He boxed a great deal with Charlie Ward.

"Jack was noted for his hard punch," said Ward. "When he hit a fellow, it was a case of artificial respiration."

In the years that were, diving contests were the vogue out at Sutro Baths, and among the contestants was always to be seen that human fish who has now become Eugene J. Egan corporal attached to the Park station, where he answered to the name of Gene.

Gene usually lived under about six feet of water at Sutro. Anyone wanting to find him had to dive. He could fetch fifty feet of water without coming out for air and anyone who swims knows that record would get a lot of attention today.

In the diving contests 24 plates would be thrown into the water, at depths of 4 to 12 feet. Many a diver won the prize for coming up with 15 tin plates out of the 24. Gene could bring up 18 or 20! Once he collected 23, the other was hidden under the steps.

He has six silver medals for his diving, and a beautiful gold medal won from the fastest runners on the Pacific Coast, at Shell Mound Park in the half mile.

He was as good a runner as a swimmer, and the same stands for his football playing. He was a rapid half back on the San Francisco football teams. His career as an athlete covers the years 1902-4.

One of the very best boxers of a few years back to retire without ever having been defeated was Charlie Gallivan, Detective Sergeant. Very few boxers of his day could last the limit with him, and the Gallivan punch was something to be dreaded. Today, if ever he gets in the mood, Charlie could take on many of the present fighters, give them cards and spades and beat them with clubs.

Around the years 1902-3 James Casey, present Corporal of Police in the Potrero, was a fighter of international reputation. He was a heavyweight. He was brought to the attention of the public by his sensational four round fight with Sam Berger.

This fight took place at Woodward's Pavilion, 14th and Valencia Streets. It ended in a draw.

Berger and Casey were rematched. The fight was given a lot of publicity and hope was running high for the great unknown—Jim Casey. But Berger held to his reputation after three grueling rounds, before a packed house.

This established Casey with the fans, however. He toured America successfully. He went to Europe and fought before the crowned heads over there. In 1908, with his laurels on his head and a love of home and San Francisco strong upon him, he settled down to the work of policing his native city.

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TRAFFIC WAYS ON STREETS TO BE OF GLAZED BRICK

White line markers for traffic lanes, safety zones and pedestrian ways on San Francisco streets will soon glisten forth for motorists in glazed brick instead of the paint now used. Constant exposure and wear on the paint has proved this system of temporary marking unsatisfactory, expensive and in wet weather dangerous because of poor visibility. Clyde E. Healy, assistant city engineer, will supervise the installation of test markers of white glazed brick at Post, Montgomery and Market Streets and at Powell, Eddy and Market, where heaviest traffic flows.

Keeping The Wheels Going Round

CORPORAL EDWARD LYNCH and ISADORE SAMUELS Have Been Looking After Motor Equipment of Department for Many Years. The Machines Always Ready for Any Emergency

The San Francisco police department has become recognized as a perfect agency for protection of life and property, it has reached a point of efficiency that has attracted wide attention, and in every department Chief Daniel J. O'Brien as well as the late Chief D. A. White, have kept pace with the demands from the most modern equipment needed to cope with the crooks and criminals.

No less important in a police department is the automotive equipment. This equipment must be complete and kept in the best possible condition, every motor car must be ready at all times to meet the most exacting demands.

There may be a murder out in the Richmond district, a bank may be held up out in the Mission, a gun battle with payroll robbers may be staged in the Southern district, or there may be a robbery out in the Sunset. The call comes in. It is the efforts of the men sent to that point from where the call comes to get there at the fastest possible speed, seconds sometimes count. They must not be held back by a faulty motor car, by some small defect or the lack of proper adjustment of some part of the machine. They must call upon every bit of power and speed.

So San Francisco with its 48 automobiles assigned for police duty are kept.

The men who keep the wheels going round are Corporal Edward Lynch, superintendent of automotive equipment, and his assistant, Patrolman Isadore Samuels. Ed and Sam, as they are known to every policeman in the city, have a job cut out for them that does not end with the wind-up of their eight hour shift.

They must be ready at all hours to respond if some accident befalls the driver or rider of their automobiles or motorcycles.

Corporal Lynch was assigned to duty in the automobile department 11 years ago, when the department had two Peerless touring cars and two patrolwagons. Today he has 31 automobiles, nine patrol wagons and eight motorcycles.

The automobiles include Buicks, Hudsons, Chandlers, Dodges, Oldsmobiles, a Marmon, a Lincoln and some Fords.

The motorcycles are all Harley-Davidsons.

These automobiles travel over 35,000 miles a month, use between 3500 and 4000 gallons of Associated or Red Crown gasoline a month, many gallons of Veedol, Mononile, Valvoline and Beacon oil a month, and over 400 tires a year.

It is Lynch's job to supervise the repair work let out under contract, see that all automobiles have the proper amount of gasoline, oil and water, have proper rubber equipment, make emergency repairs and minor adjustments. He has his headquarters in the basement of the Hall of Justice where the north end of the building has been fitted up for him and his able assistant Samuels.

The drivers of these machines must all pass a rigid test as to their ability and Lynch is the boy who puts them through the test.

In view of the fact that most of these machines are used in night patrolling, answering emergency calls, by the shot gun squads, continually cruising about the streets, chasing fleeing bandits and automobile thieves, and when all thoughts of saving the car are swept to the winds once duty calls for speed, in spite of this and that these cars travel nearly half a million miles a year, there have been but few accidents, no breakdowns or any holding up of the work of the men using them through mechanical defects or improper repairing, which we maintain is some boost for these two men.

ALBERT SAMUELS MEETS PLAYMATE ON NEW YORK FORCE

Albert Samuels, the jeweler, well known to many of the boys in the department, accompanied by his brother-in-law and assistant, Dave Riese, have just returned from a two-months buying expedition to New York. They went there to buy an opening stock for their new Oakland store. Asked about the success of their trip Samuels said, "Yes, we saw all the good shows, including



Mike Conlon, N. Y., Albert Samuels, S. F.

some of New York's 'finest'—a few of whom showed up sometimes when least expected.'

Samuels looked up one of his playmates of the N. Y. police force, Mike Conlon, cousin of our Detective-Sergeant Tom Conlon, but the photo herewith does not show any hip pockets.

Under good cover. A Lundstrom hat.

Police Tug-of-War Team Gets Trophy

SHERIFF R. R. VEALE With Committee of Richmond Men Present Beautiful Cup at Meeting of Police Commission. Won at Fourth of July Meet

A unique presentation took place at the meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners held on July 30th, 1923, in their rooms at the Hall of Justice. The occasion was the presentation of the trophy won by the police department tug of war team at the 4th of July celebration at the City of Richmond. At the request of the officials of Richmond, Chief O'Brien detailed a platoon of what Sheriff Veale called "the finest policemen in the world," to assist the Richmond committee in their celebration. The detail was in charge of Captain William J. Quinn, and needless

ceived by the large assemblage present.

The great event of the day, the piece de resistance as it were, was the tug of war between the "finest" of the San Francisco Police Department and the pride of Richmond. 'Twas a mighty tug; for these giants were evenly matched, and only the experience of the police enabled them to win the match. It was, however, a glorious day; the weather, the occasion, the committee, the people and the place all combining to make it one of the finest celebrations that ever took place in this part of the finest country on earth.

The trophy was presented by a committee composed of the following well known citizens of Richmond: Sheriff R. R. Veale, Mr. Frank Rhoades and Mr. Wallace Johnson, representing the



Silver Cup Awarded San Francisco Police Tug of War Team



Sheriff Veale, Center, Frank Rhoades and Wallace Johnson, Who Presented Cup

Fourth of July Committee of the City of Richmond. The presentation speech was made by Sheriff Veale, who, after lauding the Chief and the police department generally, spoke feelingly of the friendship existing between his department and the S. F. Police Department and expressed the fervent wish that the friendship would continue ad infinitum.

The trophy was accepted on behalf of the department by the Honorable Theodore Roche, President of the Board of Police Commissioners, who in a few well chosen words thanked the committee for the beautiful token.

The trophy was a beautiful cup designed by the artisans of Richmond, and did they hear the eulogiums bestowed on their handiwork they surely would believe that they had not wrought in vain; it was placed in the cabinet in the Chief's office among the numerous trophies won by the department on many hard fought fields, and there was not one in all the cabinet that received greater praise.

John J. Tally has been appointed Chief Engineer Hall of Justice. Mr. Tally is a great friend of the Dept. and we congratulate him upon his appointment.

Troubled with your eyes? See Dr. Hobrecht.

to say, was properly directed. The detail took part in the parade, the department quartette rendered several numbers, the athletic class gave an exhibition of the locks and holds which they have been taught and which were enthusiastically re-

Wheeler—The Strangler

By PETER FANNING, San Francisco Police Officer, Whose Series of Interesting Historical Stories Have Become a Feature of DOUGLAS 20. Others Will Follow



Peter Fanning

One evening in the fall of 1880 a tall, handsome man giving the name of G. A. Wheeler called at the Central Police Station, and in the most matter of fact manner informed Captain Douglass that he had killed his sister-in-law, Della J. Tillson, at a lodging house at number 23

Kearny Street, and had hidden her body in a trunk. He brought with him a lady's white waist and some hair which he said had been torn from the woman's head.

The very straight statement made by the man, together with the strange evidence that he offered in proof of his having committed the murder, caused a general disbelief of his statement, and induced the opinion that he was crazy. However, he was placed in custody and a sergeant and two officers were dispatched to the scene and the sickening details of the terrible tale of the man were found to be true. In an ordinary traveling trunk was the dead body of a young woman, cramped up by the confines of its strange receptacle. The features of the woman, of alabaster whiteness, were placid, and no marks of violence were discovered on her body.

In searching the trunk there was found wrapped up in a skirt a child's doll, which was thought to have been the body of a child until exposed.

The officer immediately notified the coroner, and they then proceeded back to the station, and began questioning Wheeler, who made this statement to them: "My name is G. A. Wheeler, my sister-in-law is Della J. Tillson, and my wife's name is Mary E. Wheeler. From the first I have been in love with my sister-in-law, and I loved her as much as I did my wife. A few days ago my sister-in-law told me that she intended to go away with a man named George Peckham. She said that he had treated her very kindly and bought her many things and had taken her out horse-back riding, and after telling me all this I became jealous of him, and I tried to persuade her not to keep company with him. So this evening I went to the post office with my wife to get our mail, and when we returned home I sat down in the room with my sister-in-law, and she sat on my lap. In answer to a question she said she had just as soon that I would choke her as to take poison. So I put my left hand over her mouth and choked her

to death with my right. She didn't struggle to get away from me. She moved a little from the pain, but she had often said that she would rather die than be in that man's power, and I was ready to sacrifice my life and suffer the penalty of being hanged rather than my sister-in-law should be degraded by him. I put the body in the trunk and there it is, which you have probably seen. I never told my wife nothing of it. She was in another room."

Mrs. Wheeler, upon being interviewed, said: "My husband and I have disagreed ever since we have been married. My sister has lived with me during the past three years. I was not aware that my husband had led her astray until recently."

After being incarcerated Wheeler said that he was willing to die for the crime, but later on he thought that he could get out of his trouble by having hereditary insanity to be the plea of his defense.

During his trial the court was always thronged with spectators, and the case for the prosecution was handled by Mrs. Clara Foltz, and the defendant was represented by Mrs. Laura De Force Gordon. Expert testimony on insanity was introduced by different physicians. There was "Mania" and "Mona Mania" and "Dementia" and "Morsley's Work on Diseases of the Mind" introduced, and there was "Brown's Medical Jurisprudence of Insanity" and "A Wound on the Head Does Not Necessarily Cause Insanity" introduced, because Wheeler had a scar behind his left ear. There was introduced a case where a sailor had murdered another sailor under the impression that the murdered man was a Russian Finn and that his presence on board the ship would bring destruction to the ship and crew. This fear was a common superstition of sailors, and one of the experts was asked if, in his opinion, this was a case of insanity.

The defense endeavored to prove a diseased condition of Wheeler's mind from the fact that he had shown no remorse for the terrible crime he had committed, and showed no emotion when describing the details of the horrible deed, and that no motive whatever was needed to explain the commission of a crime in cases where transitory mania exists.

After this expert testimony Mrs. Clara Foltz argued that Wheeler's own statement that he had made after his arrest that "rather than let Peckham have her (the murdered girl) I killed

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DETECTIVE SERGEANTS HONORED

For the first time in the history of any city so far as can be learned has an industrial organization sought the privilege from the Board of Police Commissioners and the Chief of Police to award police stars to members of the police department, as was done last month when the Motor Car Dealers' Association of this city sought this privilege to bestow on members of the automobile detail under Sergeant Arthur McQuaide, who had been elevated to detective sergeants, new stars.

The permission to present the stars was given and on behalf of the organization William L. Hughson, president of the association; F. Limberger, general manager, and Elliot Eppsteen, attorney, came down to the Hall of Justice and had Captain William Quinn assemble the following detective sergeants of the detail: Nicholas Barron, Phillip Lindecker, James Pearl, George Wall, Peter Hughes, Jack Cannon, and W. E. Milliken. When the sergeants had gathered, Hughson presented each with a regulation detective sergeant star. He said that in view of the splendid work

of this detail, which annually recovered so many stolen cars, which each month kept to a level unequalled by any other city in this country, the number of unrecovered automobiles that the association took great pleasure in showing this mark of appreciation. He said the work of the detail under Sergeant McQuaide had attracted attention throughout the country and that this city could feel proud of the men who composed it.

Similar sentiment was expressed by Limberger and Eppsteen.

Not to be outdone by this association, the Advertising Club took occasion to reward another newly appointed detective sergeant the first of this month, when Edward Wiskotchill was invited to the weekly meeting of the club with his partner, Thomas Curtis, for years a detective sergeant, and he, too, was presented with a new star. The presentation was made by the president, Shirley Walker, who pointed out that during the life of the Advertising Club in this city they had called on the police department many times for assistance to keep down the crooked advertiser, to run down the swindler and to carry out the work of the club of protecting the public from skin games. He said that Curtis and Wiskotchill had been detailed on many cases where assistance had been asked, and that in every one they delivered the goods, and did it quickly and effectively.

He presented the star to Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson who was present and asked him to pin it on the officer's coat. The club members gave a loud cheer of approval at the action of the club in rewarding Wiskotchill.

SAN FRANCISCO GROWING

The many factors entering the growth of a city make it not always possible to determine the principal reason for the development of a community.

The rapid growth here which has been going on for more than a year is not difficult to account for. Health conditions, geographic, climate, educational and religious facilities all enter into making the sections in and about San Francisco a most desirable community. In fact, one of the most desirable communities in the West.

This desirability is indicated by the figures just submitted by the office of W. G. Vincent, Vice-President and Executive Engineer of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, which show that during the past month there were 445 consumers added to that company's lines and for the first five months of this year, 4,826 were added. It does not require a great stretch of imagination to picture the future of this city, developing as rapidly as it has been during the past year, particularly considering the healthy and steady growth that has taken place, there being no indications of a spasmodic flare-up or boom.

Police School of Instruction

By PATRICK MCGEE, in Charge of Athletic Classes of San Francisco Department. Men Being Trained to Take Care of Themselves in All Emergencies



Sergeant Patrick McGee

"The policeman's lot is not a happy one." If the author of the foregoing could attend any one session of the Athletic Class of the S. F. P. D. he would surely change his tune, on seeing a crowd of young men pulling and hauling one another like so many boys skylarking; or cavorting in the swimming tank, diving and fetching, playing at drowning and being rescued and resuscitated. The above mentioned author would also find that he was well repaid for his visit, and, were he the man we believe him to be, his title for his next lyric anent policemen would be: "The policeman's lot is a strenuous but happy one."

This somewhat garbled dissertation as a prelude to the activities of the Athletic Class of the San Francisco Police Department, inaugurated by Chief of Police D. J. O'Brien, himself an athlete of parts, and a firm believer in the aphorism: "A healthy mind is a corollary of a healthy body," brings us to the subject of our talk—The Athletic Side of a Policeman's Training.

In the old days a policeman was pictureed (and with some modicum of truth) as a burly belligerent, with club in hand and badge on chest, strutting bravely along his beat, meeting brute force with brute force, his motto being—"I don't beat you because I hate you, but here's my authority." He was a product of the times, and his right to such belief could be justified in the quotation: O tempora, O mora. His duties were arduous, his hours long, and his efforts sneered at and ridiculed by both press and public. In so far as having any knowledge other than as concerned police matters he was classified as a moron.

The manner of appointing men to the police force in those days had much to do with the caliber of men appointed. Men were made police officers, not for their fitness for the position but through political pull, or friendship—and it was rumored that some even paid for their jobs. On being appointed he was sent on his beat, armed with a club and pistol and with absolutely no instruction as to how and when to use either—and it speaks well for the old timers that under the conditions, so few fell down. But all that has passed with the "good old days."

In passing let us pause to pay honor to that gallant band of old time policemen who made good.

Under the present chief a new appointee is given six weeks in the school of instruction before being assigned for street duty. He is taught that the great public whom he serves can be made into a friend or an enemy dependent on his actions; is taught the use of firearms, revolver and shotgun, and is instructed that they are not to be used unless in defense of his life or to stay the progress of a fleeing felon. Included in the curriculum in the school of instruction is the proper method of executing warrants and serving subpoenas and citations; procuring evidence of crime, writing reports, study of finger prints; military tactics and athletic exercises. These are all necessary qualifications of a good police officer, and will go a long way in keeping up the efficiency of the department on which the chief insists.

On one important point the Chief is insistent and lays great stress on—that the police officers use humane methods in handling offenders; and, to the end that this may be done, the recruit is given instructions three times a week, by a corps of competent instructors in a number of holds and locks, a knowledge of which enables an officer to take into custody a man bigger and stronger than himself, without injury to officer or prisoners. This is, in a way, virtually doing away with the use of the club.

If he is confronted by the stick-up man with pistol pointed at his body he is shown how to render the discharging of the pistol almost impossible; to take it from his assailant and turn it on him. Does he meet a fighting gentleman? By a simple twist of the arm he soon renders him hors de combat; and this thug who is putting up a battle against being menaced has his arm pinned behind his back and is handcuffed before he knows how it happened. To epitomize: The police officer being taught under the present Chief will be a nearer approach to the superman than any that have gone before.

William Harrington, special duty man at the Bush station, and Walter Harrington, patrolman of the same station, can be easily distinguished from the color of their hair. "Bill" has what artists refer to as Titian hirsute appendages.

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Police Officer Harry Crowley says these reducing exercises are the bunk. The more you exercise the more you want to eat and the more you eat the heavier you get.

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Fred Lotsey of the Traffic Bureau says he would look just as slick as Cliff Fields if he could wear one of those traffic uniforms with gold braid all over it.



A lot of people don't get the beauty of art or nature when they see it. Witness this one by Detective Sergeant Richmond Tatham. Out at the Exposition back in 1915 it will be remembered that one of the statues that attracted wide attention was the "End of the Trail." One day while Dick was out there he saw an e'derly man and his wife, both showing evidence of coming from the country, approach this statue. As they got near it the woman said, "Well, what in the world is this?" The man replied without stopping, "Come on, we ain't got not time to waste here, it's only a picture of a sick horse." And they went on, looking for something with some gaudiness to it.

Captain Fred Lemon of the North End district with his family returned the first of the month from their vacation that took them through the northern end of the state, up among the Mendocino redwoods.

Lieutenant Jack Casey of the Central district says he is about ready to get his ball players in action again, and with the experience of the season last year and the first of this he expects to clean up all members of the city league.

Patrolman Jack Ryan, the police carrenter expert, says he will have to slap a new shingle on the front porch of the antiquated Bush street station before the rainy season starts or else Sergeant Cy Lance and Sergeant Fred Norman and his son, Sergeant Fred Norman, will get all wet as they dash in and out of the station attending to their duties.

Detective Sergeant Tom Hyland, the Demosthenes of the detective bureau, says that orating is a gift and not a science.

Jack Tally, well known building expert, has been appointed superintendent of the Hall of Justice to succeed H. E. O'Donnell who died last month while on his vacation in Sonoma County. Tally has been in public service many years and has had much experience in managing men who take care of big buildings. He promises to keep the wheels going, the steam heat hot and otherwise see that the people who have business to transact in the Hall of Justice are given a maximum of service.

Time was when a young policeman was advised by some of his companions to see nothing, hear nothing, do as little as you can. Those days are gone for the young men who are being selected for police duty are mostly young fellows with some sense and appreciate the opportunity of getting up and pulling down an increase in salary by attending to duty, seeing everything, and keeping their ears open. The lectures Chief Daniel J. O'Brien delivers to each new officer carries a message that encourages them more than any ill advice that might be handed out.

Lieutenant Cliff Field of the Traffic Bureau says if he could wear his new traffic uniform out in his neighborhood he would knock 'em dead in the northwest section of the Richmond district.

Sergeant Charles Groat is back on the job after his vacation. He hit for the mountains but says that it is good to be back where a fellow can get a mouthful of fog and some good ocean ozone.

Sergeant Patrick McGee, now of the license bureau, was passing out the cigars the other day. The occasion was the arrival of a 9½ pound nephew at the home of Lieutenant George S. McGee, now of the Bank of Italy.

Traffic Officer John T. Kelly was commended by Captain Gleeson and Chief Daniel O'Brien this month for his action in stopping a runaway horse on Market Street July 27. Though recovering from a serious injury inflicted

some months ago by hoodlums, Kelly, when he saw the frightened animal dash across the street for the crowds that throng Fourth and Market, cast all thoughts of personal safety to the winds and leaped for the bridle of the horse. He stopped him without anyone being hurt.

Detective Sergeant Frank Lord after a leave of absence during which he was in charge of the safe deposit boxes of the main office of the Bank of Italy at Powell and Eddy Streets reported the latter part of last month for duty in the detective bureau and was assigned by Captain Matheson to his old work on the banking detail with Detective Sergeants David Murphy and William Proll. The boys were all glad to see Frank back and he says it gives him a better chance to get outside in his police work, where as safe deposit box manager he was forced to stay indoors during his working hours.

Police Officer Martin Porter says after listening to complaints by Chinese, Japanese, Italians, Mexicans, Filipinos, Portuguese, French, and a few Slavs for eight hours a night for twelve months in a year a guy wonders if he will ever get used to it. His side kick, Officer J. J. Dooling, says he will; that the first hundred years are the toughest.

Special Officer George Jarrett is back from his vacation upon the Russian River, where he learned to swim on his back.

Police Officer Kelleher, out at the Ingleside is one busy guy when he is covering his beat during the night shift. It matters not what the hour if an autoist stops along any of the drives in Westwood Park, or along the Ocean Avenue and lingers in his car or don't make for some place like home, Kelleher is on his trail to ascertain just what his business is. He figures it's best to report nothing doing than to have to write a lot about something after it has happened.

Traffic Officer "Judge" Tom Ritter, had a dispute with a young fellow who is studying law the other day about traffic rules. Said y. f. tried to tell Tom where to head in but Tom took the young gent to the station and he heard some judicial decisions by Judge Dan O'Brien that upheld the lawyer policeman.

Corporal Coleman, who has been assigned to the Harbor district, says he will have a hard time getting used to that section which is mostly dark at nights. After years in the Central district he got used to the bright lights that flash through the business section of the city.

Police Officer Charles Gallatin of the Park district says that from his observations all the carrenters in the world are out in that district, from the number of houses being built in the Sunset.

Drivers of automobiles under the influence of liquor have been keeping out of the northern end of the Central district of late. Officer Harry Gurtler has hung so many prison numbers on these sort of drivers in the past year that they are keeping shy of him.

Officer Peter Rafael Maloney went over with some other officers to the summer school of the University of California to demonstrate methods used by the police to disarm and take care of a stickup man. After the demonstration the class was asked if they desired to ask any questions. One young squirt said he would and this is his query: "What good would those holds do if the robber was ten feet away from you?" Pete replied that it would be as difficult for the robber at ten feet to get his hands in your pocket as it would be to disarm him. Fast work, Pete.

"Red" Overturf, the auburn-haired motorcycle officer of Mayfield, don't intend that any speeders get through his town, no matter how fast they go. He has bought two airplanes and he can cover ground faster than any speed demon can hit it up. "Red" says that the gents who have the speed bug will have to realize that Mayfield is one town that insists the traffic laws be observed, or else the fast ones will get a chance to get a nod from the township judge.

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Motorcycle Officer Birdsall, who got a bad spill some weeks ago, is able to navigate a bit once more, though he has to use a cane. He won't be riding the iron horse for a while, however.

OFFICER JAMES NEELY

Driver of Chief's Car, Has Been at the Wheel for Many Chiefs



James Neely

James Neely was appointed a police officer January 30th, 1908. He was assigned to the Mission District for patrol duty and did patrol Potrero Avenue from 11th to 20th Street, for about three months when former Chief Biggy recognized his ability as a chauffeur and assigned him to drive the Chief's car, and Jim drove all the Chiefs since. In turn he piloted former Chiefs W. J. Biggy, present Police Commissioner J. B. Cook, Jno. B. Martin, John Seymour, D. A. White and has been driving Chief D. J. O'Brien since he took office.

The Chief believes Jim to be as fine a driver as ever kicked a clutch and has such confidence in his ability that he has no hesitancy in trusting foreign potentates, visiting statesmen and a movie actress occasionally to Jim's tender care, and Jim has never failed the Chief.

Jim is a quiet, diffident, good natured big boy whose best indoor sport is a nice quiet argument, and Jim is some Aristotle. If you told him that Steve Brodie jumped off the Brooklyn Bridge, he would take issue and convince you that Steve did not jump, but that the bridge fell from under him. Taking him by and large Jim is one trustworthy officer, loyal friend and loving husband.

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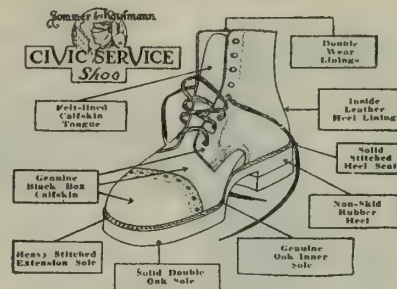
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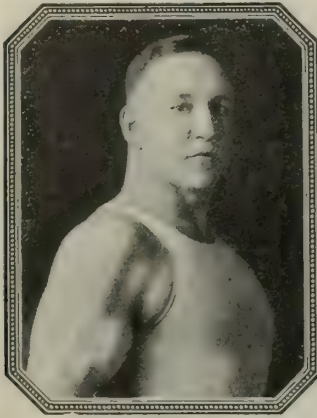


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AL WILLIAMS Says: *Girl Who Sits Around and Powders Her Nose is a Weakling, and Must Envy Every Athletic Girl*



Al Williams

One of the things which people frequently write to ask is whether it is good for women to take hikes or runs.

The answer is always "yes." But, of course, it must not be overdone.

To hike or run too much at one time is bad for men as well as women.

But we should get over the idea, as people will eventually, that a woman is a delicate little thing who is doing something out of the ordinary when she does anything in the way of athletics.

A woman, in fact, who doesn't engage in any sort of athletics, who just sits around and powders her nose and always wants to look soft and velvety, is leading an unnatural life, and, in time, will pay for what is nothing more on her part than vanity and laziness.

Women who want to seem delicate and soft had better look around. They will see, if they are not prejudiced, that the woman who is rapidly coming into favor is the athletic woman, the one who can play tennis or golf, or who can swim or run well. The "hot house" girl is going out of style. Her kind of beauty no longer appeals to many men.

There are men, I know, who contend that women were not intended to do hard work or to be athletic.

When you run across such a man take him out to Golden Gate park on a Sunday and let him see all the fine, strong, healthy girls who are playing tennis.

Most of them are much more graceful than the men who are playing with them.

The chances are that a man who decries athletics for women is not athletic himself. If he were he would know better. So if you can't convince him with what he sees at Golden Gate park take him out on the Dipsea trail some Sunday and let him try to keep up with some of the girls who go over the trail for their fun week after week. Chances are they will run him dizzy and leave him behind with his feet all blistered.

Some Women Can Outwork Their Men.

The average man hasn't the faintest idea what a woman can do if brought up the way she should be.

Among the Indians of North America, we all know, the women did all the hard work. The "bucks" did the fighting and the primping.

In some parts of China right to this day the women work as carriers and can pack loads which their men cannot even lift.

The women of our country cannot, of course, do those things, because they were not brought up that way, and we wouldn't want them to.

But I think it is just as thoughtless and cruel to let our girls grow into delicate, helpless women as it is to make them work as hard as they do in some countries and become as muscular as the men.

If I had to make a choice, as a matter of fact, I would rather make my daughter too strong through exercise and right living, or through hard work if that were necessary, than to let her drift along with her powder puff and be a soft weakling.

Is it wrong to let a girl hike or run?

What do you suppose she was given legs for? You may as well ask if it's wrong to let a girl hear.

Of course it's all right to let her hike and run! If you have a growing daughter insist that she do both.

Don't let her grow into a clinging vine. Do your part in giving her a start by insisting that she be healthy.

What do you do in the way of chaperonage is, of course, your affair. I am just speaking in relation to the exercise every girl should have.

A girl of five, six, and sometimes ten and twelve years, can usually outrun and outrough a boy of the same age.

See that she keeps it up. Let her be called a "Tom boy." I want my daughter to be that—a "Tom boy."

It's better that she be a "Tom boy" 'than a little "Sissy Powder Puff."

And let me tell you something: The little, delicate girl envies the big athletic one.

She won't say so. She wouldn't acknowledge that for the world. SHE WANTS TO BE JUST WHAT SHE IS. She is perfectly satisfied and wouldn't trade places with anybody.

But she is kidding herself. Away down deep every little "softy" wishes she were strong and graceful and self-reliant.

AND THERE IS NO REASON WHY SHE COULDN'T HAVE BEEN IF SHE'D BEEN STARTED EARLY ENOUGH.

CAPTAIN EUGENE WALL

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men under him. He says that you can trust over 90 per cent of the policemen in this city to do the right and proper thing, that this is a higher average than can be found in any other organization of men in any trade or profession. He says if you don't trust your men and have confidence in them they won't trust you, and will be indifferent in their work. He declares that he trusts every man under him from lieutenant to the newest patrolman, and that more than an average of 9 to 1 do all the duties imposed upon them, and do them well. He maintains it is easy to find the man who won't serve his city and carry out the orders necessary to give the people the proper police efficiency.

That he gets results from this policy can easily be observed in his, the largest district in the city, and where there is less crime than most any section of San Francisco. He has a diversity of races. His district embraces people of the lowest working class to the most successful and wealthy business man, and in his service as a district commander he serves all alike and gives them the maximum of police service.

Captain Wall has a son, James Wall, who is in the Warrant and Bond Office of District Attorney Brady's office and this young man has made many friends through his courteous way of dealing with the public, a way he obtained in a great measure from the teachings of his father.

Next month the big wild west event of the country will be started when the pony express race between Jefferson City Missouri and San Francisco will be run. Relays of horses will enact again the days when the U. S. Mail was carried by the fearless riders over mountains and across plains. Senator James D. Phelan is the chairman of the great undertaking which is already attracting the widest kind of attention and it won't be many days before the country will be really stirred up over the celebration.

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OFFICER MICHAEL BERRY PENSIONED

It's too bad that every new police officer could not have been at the meeting of the police commission on the evening of August 6, and observe what reward a policeman gets for faithful service in this city. The occasion was the retirement on a pension of Michael Barry, after 31 years in the department and for 26 years assigned to the Harbor district.

When this veteran of the police department was called before the board, Commissioner Jesse Cook arose to address him. In the days when the Commissioner was a sergeant down on the front, Barry was on his watch. Commissioner Cook told of the splendid work Barry did, of the fact that for over three decades this officer had never even been summoned before his platoon commander for a reprimand or a call down for not doing his duty. The Commissioner pointed out that during the nine years he was at the head of the watch on which Barry served he never had to look for him, he was where he ought to be at all times. The Commissioner commended him for his splendid record, and wished him all the luck in the years to come.

No policeman in the department was better known, respected by all along the front, than Michael Barry. Seafaring men looked for him when they returned from their long cruises, shipping men welcomed him at all times, and the people with whom he came in contact during his long years of service along the water front never appealed to him in vain for information as to how to get where they wanted to go. He knew the city, and he knew the bay, and he had a wonderful fund of knowledge of benefit to the traveling public that he imparted with a smile and friendliness that left a kindly feeling with the stranger after he met the officer.

During the trying times of the fire he was of invaluable assistance in handling the people who wanted to leave the city and those who wanted to come back.

Officer Barry came to this country in 1876 direct from Castleyons, County Cork, Ireland. In the early '90's he worked for the Southern Pacific Railway and the Market Street Railway Company before becoming a police officer. He was first assigned to the New Hall at Larkin and McAllister Streets, serving there for five years under Captain Douglass.

After receiving the commendation of the police commission Barry announced that with his good wife he would start on a tour of the United States and might make a trip back to the old home in Ireland. Wherever he goes he will have the best wishes of all the boys down at the Harbor station.

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CHINESE POLICE COURTS

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The first culprit was a ragged looking Chinese very much emaciated who was charged with stealing some lumber. The judge called forth the arresting officer who stated, "I was walking along the street past a new building when I saw the offender pick up several large planks and start away with them. When I ordered him to stop he started to run and when he reached the Harbor in his anxiety to get rid of the stolen lumber he fell into the water with his "booty," but with difficulty, sir, I caught him." The judge then repeated the charge to the interpreter who in turn passed it onto the offender in his native tongue. The air is now full of noise as the interpreter and the offender go over the case, the latter's arms swinging like a wind-mill as he demonstrates what happened. Even a student of the Chinese language would find it difficult to follow the conversation of the two excited men.

After the conversation has gone to an extent when the judge believes some decision should have been reached, he raps and asks the interpreter to give the defendant's angle.

"Well, your Honor," said the interpreter, "the defendant admits that he was arrested and had two beautiful planks in his possession but he claims that those two fine planks were floating in the water and he was so afraid that they might be washed out to sea and be lost, so at the risk of his life and even the prospects of getting his clothes wet, he dove into the water and rescued the planks." The judge gave the defendant one of his piercing looks and without taking his eyes off the plank-rescuer rapped his gavel and said, "Six months, that should be plenty of time for your clothes to dry. Next."

The bailiff now brought from the "cage" two Chinese shackled together, each trying to pull in opposite directions, while carrying on a heated argument. Even the tongues of the ever-curious on-lookers took advantage of the situation and joined in the wild babble. A rap of the gavel brought almost instant silence and a glance from the judge immediately silenced the unheeded conversationalists. "What is this case?" asked the judge. The bailiff spoke up in broken English, saying that it was a case of assault to do bodily harm.

A long-winded interview between the interpreter and the two handcuffed "gentlemen" was occasionally broken by interruptions from the arresting officer.

The interpreter, an Indian, trained in England, now spoke up and advised the judge that it was an assault case brought about by the theft of two cakes by the plaintiff from the defendant, owner of a tea house in the Wenchai district, (the Chi-



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nese Barbary Coast of Hongkong infested by Sampan-men and poor class coolies). That the arresting officer was making his rounds when he heard screaming coming from the direction of the tea-house, rushing over there he arrived in time to see the owner of the place forcibly ejecting one of his "guests" and strike him with an iron bar. Taking no chances he arrested both men.

Through the interpreter the owner of the cafe advised that the plaintiff ordered some tea and cake for which he paid 5c. When leaving he saw him put the cakes into his pocket. That the owner went over to the "guest" and requested him to take the cakes from his pocket which the latter refused to do; words followed and then blows. Unfortunately, for him he was caught in the act of assaulting the thief, which was an act in self-defense as he already had had a plate broken over his head.

"What has the other fellow to say," spoke up the judge.

The defendant claims that he always goes to that particular cafe for tea and cake for which he pays 5c. Not being as hungry as usual he did not eat all the cakes, so just before leaving he placed the remaining cake in his pocket. The owner seeing what he had done ordered him to take the cakes from his pocket which he refused to do. Words followed, the owner tried to eject him from the cafe whereupon he picked up a plate and struck him over the head. The owner then ran to his desk, took out a large iron bar and struck him several times over the back and then threw him out. The next thing he knew was that he awakened from a seemingly long sleep and found himself in jail.

The judge ruled that since the "guest" had the privilege to eat the cakes brought to him on the plate, if he so desired, that he had a perfect right to take along with him the cakes he did not eat. Incidentally the judge fined the wielder of the iron bar five dollars. The decision was then handed down to the two "culprits" in Chinese. The "guest" was so elated with the decision that he thought he could slip something over on the judge and in a very excited tone of voice he explained to the interpreter that he had forgotten to mention that in the melee the proprietor had robbed him of five dollars. The judge recognized that the Chinese was speaking an untruth and was merely trying to be recompensed for the beating he had suffered at the hands of the proprietor, and assuming his judicial severity said, "That is unfortunate for you but consider yourself lucky that you are not out five more for a fine.

Case after case was handled in quick order and when the noon chimes brought the morning session to a close the judge had earned a well deserved recess.



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ment feels keenly a deep appreciation of the reciprocal tendency of the citizens of San Francisco.

"I have recently made an extended trip throughout the United States and the Dominion of Canada in connection with my attendance as a delegate from California to the 30th Annual Convention of the International Association of Chiefs of Police which was held at Buffalo, New York, during the month of June of this year. I had an opportunity to visit the larger cities of our nation. The conclusion that I have reached as a result of my trip is that there is a great and pressing need at the present time for closer unity among the police departments of our nation. It is a well known fact—indeed, a matter of common knowledge—that the criminal of today is well organized not alone in the locality in which he operates but this organization extends to many states of our Union. It is to overcome these activities that close co-operation is necessary. To bring about the unity mentioned a long step has been taken at the recent convention. A national bureau of criminal identification will in the near future be functioning under the auspices of the United States Department of Justice. This bureau will enable the police departments of our nation to get direct information regarding the activities of criminals through this central clearing house thereby obviating the necessity of communicating with several police departments which entails, to say the least, an unusual length of time.

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OFFICER GEORGE CASEY'S WIFE DIES

Captain Bernard Judge with Mrs. Judge, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rode of Los Angeles and Mrs. Kate Casey, wife of Police Officer George Casey of the Richmond station, started on a vacation trip to the Yosemite the first of the month. The three women of the party are sisters and were enjoying a reunion that promised to be one of continuous enjoyment. When the party got to Bridgeport, Mono County, August 5, Mrs. Casey retired and the remainder of the party were given a shock when they discovered a little later that she had died from a stroke of apoplexy.

A physician was summoned who told them that death had been instantaneous and painless. The merry party was changed into one of mourning and the return trip made. They arrived here on Tuesday and the funeral was held the 9th.

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ATTORNEY SERGEANT MICHAEL RIORDAN DEFENDS CAPTAIN GOFF IN SUIT

The latter part of last month the people who gathered in Superior Judge Harold Louderback's court room had the opportunity of seeing for the first time a police officer appearing in full uniform as an attorney at the bar of justice.

The police officer was Sergeant Michael Riordan, in charge of correspondence for the police department, who two years ago was admitted to practice law after passing high in the bar examination.

Sergeant Riordan was in court to defend charges filed by the owners of the Railway Men's Social club, against Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien, Captain Charles Goff and four of the latter's patrolmen, alleging that by raiding the club Goff and his posse violated an injunction issued by Judge Louderback and that they should be punished for contempt of court.

As the law precludes the district attorney from defending anyone accused of a criminal offense, Chief O'Brien proceeded to furnish counsel. He did not have to proceed far for he called in one of his right hand men, and said to Sergeant Riordan, the man he summoned, to get busy and fight this case.

Sergeant Riordan got busy and on July 30 went into court, presented a motion to dismiss the charges, making an argument that would have done justice to an old experienced attorney and one which would have made a person not acquainted with the fact think other than it was Riordan's maiden appearance as a practicing attorney. The "Sarge" has a good delivery, brings out his points well, and commands close attention from all in the courtroom.

In his argument he contended that the police are not stopped by an injunction if they have knowledge that a crime is being committed, that there was no allegations in the affidavits filed by complainant's attorney, that the police had entered unlawfully the premises of the club, nor that the club was incorporated. Judge Louderback took the case under advisement, for a later date and then denied the motion to dismiss, declaring that the issues involved were such that it should be tried and all sides put in their case.

The club attorneys had to amend their affidavits as a result of the claims made by Riordan, and the case is set down for later in this month, when the entire matter will be threshed out.

The courtroom at each appearance of Riordan was filled with fellow officers who looked on approvingly at his presentation of the case, and all predict that when the sergeant makes up his mind to lay down the equipment of a police officer he will have but little trouble in making a success as an attorney at law.

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HOTEL DETAIL

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and caring for rooms of guests are as a general rule very honest and trustworthy.

To show how suspicion against maids is misplaced a case can be cited which occurred in this city some time ago. In one of the leading hotels rooms were being systematically robbed. A trap was set as it was suspected one of the maids was "pulling the jobs." However the party who was doing the work got wise to the plans to catch him, and changed his operations to another hotel. When this developed the maid was questioned, and for the first time given knowledge that she was under suspicion. She told however that her pass key had been stolen having been left in a door. Further investigation revealed to us that the pass key of the first hotel was the same kind used by the second hotel suffering from the thief. We were more successful and arrested the man who was robbing the rooms, found the missing pass key and a lot of loot he had taken from the first hotel.

A case that demonstrates how important it is that the hotel management report missing property to the police the instant it is made known to them can be shown by a case where a diamond bar pin was reported stolen. It was reported to the detective bureau and myself and Detective Dolan assigned to the case. We found upon investigation that the owner had sent some clothes to the laundry. The first place we hit for was the laundry and sure enough there was the bar pin fastened to a shirt waist. If this matter had been delayed some employe of the laundry might have gotten a hold of it, or it might have been put through the laundry and the jewels ground to powder and completely destroyed, or some attache of the hotel suspected, and the case never closed.

Often times unscrupulous people will lose jewelry on the street or even pawn it, and then having no insurance on it report a loss in the hotel, hoping that by so doing the hotel may reimburse them for the loss. This class however don't generally get very far in this city.

Prompt report to the police department of any losses in hotels will always result to the benefit of the loser as well as the hotels, for our detail is specializing on work of this kind, and through experience have obtained much information that makes simple the solution of a missing article.

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WHEELER—THE STRANGLER

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her," which proved to her mind that it was a pre-meditated murder and she claimed that the defendant should, in the interest of society and good government be convicted. The jury rendered a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree, and Wheeler was hanged for this crime in the County Jail on Broadway Street.

Another terrible crime of this same character was committed shortly after the Wheeler tragedy. An old lady by the name of Fredericka Drell, who had gained a livelihood by keeping a lodging house on Dupont Street near California, had met her death from strangulation, and the surrounding circumstances showed that death was neither the result of natural causes nor self induced.

Upon discovery of the dead body of Fredericka Drell the detectives were immediately notified and proceeded to the premises. On a lounge, lying on her back was the dead body of the woman, and upon her breast, mournfully purring, was a little kitten that had been a pet of the old lady in her lifetime. Half a towel, moistened with water and torn lengthwise and twisted into a string had been tied tightly around the neck of the murdered woman, in a single knot. On the pillow was a small stain of blood that oozed from her ears. Other than this there was nothing to show that any struggle had taken place in the room. That it was a murder there was no doubt, for it was considered that it would be utterly impossible for a person of her age to twist a towel about her neck with such force as to produce the result described.

The supposition of this cruel murder was that it was for her money and jewelry, but the police discovered this to be groundless for the reason that nothing about the premises was disturbed, and considerable jewelry was found belonging to the old lady.

The murderer had laid the body in a natural position on the sofa and smoothed the old lady's garments, and placed one of her feet over the other, probably with a view to lead anyone who might enter the room to suppose that she was asleep.

The police took into custody one Harry Baye, who was nicknamed "Lucky" from the fact that he was an inveterate poker player and generally got away with the pot. Bays occupied the back parlor of this house and it was reported that the old lady and he had some trouble about room rent, which she claimed from him. After due investigation of all the surroundings there was no evidence wherewith to question Baye with this crime, and it was never learned who the murderer was.

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enforcement officers are particularly qualified to deal. There is in Canada as well as in the United States, an Association of Chief Constables meeting annually. These very matters are being considered by that body and we recommend that they be consulted.

This recommendation was unanimously adopted by resolution. It was very gratifying to have the Crown Prosecutor stand behind the Police in so important a matter. That Committee also recommended as to the treatment of criminals: "We advise consultation with law enforcement officers including the Canadian Association of Chief Constables before legislation is recommended by the Canadian Bar Association."

Their splendid co-operation between the Crown Prosecutor and the Canadian Police.

Protection of banks, pay-rolls and money and securities in transit were fully discussed. I presented the following resolutions which were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, pay-rolls and messenger stick-ups are of daily occurrence throughout the country resulting in the loss of large amounts of money and securities, and frequently terminating in homicide,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Association recommends that pay-rolls, and money and securities in transit be escorted under proper police guard, armed with automatic shot-guns and rifles, in high powered armored automobiles. This recommendation being made on the principle that it is cheaper to guard the property than to attempt to recover it, and prosecute the offenders if arrested.

WHEREAS, bank robberies and safe blowing in suburban districts and branch banks in small towns are a menace to the safety of employees and the property of depositors,

AND WHEREAS, the Association stands for the protection of life and property, the prosecution of offenders and the administration of justice,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Association recommends to the Bankers Association of Canada and the United States, that they request their member banks to install up-to-date electric alarm devices, such devices to be connected with push-buttons, in strategic positions under counters, paying-tellers' windows, etc., where they can be reached by hand or foot and also to install large electric alarm gongs over the entrance to give alarm in case of trouble, and when possible to have the signal system extended to police headquarters. That such equipment be so constructed that in case the wires are cut or the connection broken, the alarm will automatically be sounded.

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Association recommends that the radio be used when possible to broadcast the alarm in case of attempted robbery, or robbery so that the widest publicity can be given to peace officers to effect the arrest.

Safe burglary by the use of the acetylene torch is the latest thing in that line and is very effective. A hole can be burned in a chilled steel cannon ball safe several inches thick in a few minutes without any danger or noise. However, if the building is properly equipped with electric alarm devices, entry cannot be made without sounding the alarm.

The late lamented President, Warren G. Harding, visited the Convention while in session and was made an Honorary Life Member. He made a few appropriate remarks on law enforcement, and convinced all present that he stood solidly behind all law enforcement officers.

The Convention adjourned to meet in Seattle, Washington, in 1924.

ABOUT THE CONVENTION

By Noted Author-Devine, REV. R. G. MACBEAN, in Vancouver, B. C., Sun

Before the police convention opened in Vancouver I wrote an article giving in very brief outline, some ideas in regard to the place of the police in human society and some thoughts in relation to their functions. From early days when, as a law-student and lawyer in Winnipeg, I had some professional acquaintance with the police in that busy city on the frontier, I formed a high opinion of the way in which they performed the onerous duties of their office. Since that time I have seen more of life. Soldiers, miners, loggers, cowboys, scouts, teamsters, millionaires, paupers, merchants, lawyers, doctors, farmers, explorers and the rest have come and gone in goodly fellowship throughout the years. In like manner their dwelling places from log-cabins and log-huts to brownstone fronts and mansions have opened their hospitable doors, and within them the greatness of comradeship has been joy fully experienced.

None Is Immune.

We have our poor artificial stratifications and conventional classifications but in the great fundamental experiences of life there is a wondrous unity. None is immune from sorrow and none is stranger to the deep emotions which fill human hearts with a joy that laughs at adverse circumstances. Everywhere one finds a consciousness of spiritual values expressed or unexpressed, and everywhere one discovers a sense of the eternal beating upon the shores of time. It was when good Queen Victoria was, as

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The last session of the legislature which adjourned in May enacted some new laws that will have a discouraging effect upon the gents who seek a livelihood by unlawful and criminal methods. The legislature made some changes in the penal code that tightens the rope around certain kinds of criminals and defines certain degrees of theft that makes it difficult and dangerous for the night operators, as well as providing punishments that will keep the lads out of trouble for many a day when they are caught, as they mostly are caught in this city and county.

For instance, robbery is changed so that there are now two degrees. Any person who uses a dangerous weapon of any kind, or inflict torture or great bodily harm in the preparation of a robbery is guilty of robbery in the first degree, all others are second degree.

The punishment for robbery in the first degree is punishable by from 5 years to life imprisonment. Formerly robbery was punishable by from one year to life. Second degree carries a sentence of not less than one year.

The imprisonment of a person found guilty of assault with a deadly weapon is raised to ten years.

In the matter of burglary the amended codes provide that all burglaries committed either in the day time or night time wherein a deadly weapon is used is burglary of the first degree, though the fact that entrance into a building at night still is considered of the first degree whether the intruder is armed or not.

The total value of property stolen to constitute grand larceny has been raised from \$50 to \$200. This is done to keep higher courts from being burdened with many cases where \$50 values were alleged and which when brought into a superior court generally ended by a plea of petty larceny.

Grand larceny can be charged when the property is taken from another without the use of force, or when the property taken is any domestic animal, age, size and gender making no difference.

The habitual criminal is provided for in the new amendments, this law being enacted through the efforts of the California Peace Officers' Association of which Chief O'Brien is president.

It provides that any person convicted of a felony who has been twice before similarly convicted

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Statutory rape is now the assaulting of any female under the age of 18 where formerly it was 16 years of age. Such assault is punishable for from not more than one year in the county jail or for not more than fifty years in state prison, the jury rendering the verdict against a man determining the punishment so far as it applies to the place of incarceration.

The vagrancy law is slightly changed to read in one paragraph that any beggar, etc., instead of any healthy beggar.

Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson was responsible for one of the most smashing laws against safe blowers. The act entitled "Burglary with Explosives," reads:

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Any person duly convicted of such burglary shall be punished by imprisonment for a term of not less than 25 nor more than forty years.

The matter of probation is considered in the amendments passed.

It is provided that any person who has been found guilty of robbery, burglary, murder, or rape by force and violence, shall be denied probation, wherein the perpetration of such crime a deadly weapon is used, or where the defendant was armed with a deadly weapon, or where great bodily harm or torture was inflicted. Also any person previously convicted of any felony, or any public official who in the discharge of his duties or employment who accepts or offers to accept or offers a bribe or embezzles any public moneys, or is guilty of extortion.

All of these changes and new enactments go into effect according to the action of the legislature on the 18th day of August.

Other changes are made but most of them are merely routine and have no great bearing on the apprehension and conviction of criminals leading among which is the raising of the jury fee from \$2 per day to \$3.

These changes noted above were for the most part the result of co-operation between the law-makers and the members of the peace officers of the state, and for the first time in this state the members of the legislature took seriously, suggestions from chiefs of police and sheriffs and in many instances sought their advice on matters pertaining to necessary laws for the war on the crooks.

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the eloquent Lord Dufferin expressed it, "not a queen in a magnificent palace, but a stricken woman in a desolate home," that she wrote the exquisite letter of sympathy to Mrs. Lincoln, widow of the great emancipator, and gave the people of two great countries a new sense of "the touch of nature which makes the whole world kin."

Good Outweighs Evil.

There is a lot of good in the world, far outweighing the evil; but the evil is more aggressive and more blatant. Hence the need of government and law, divine and human, to hold evil in check, to protect the helpless and the innocent and to make conditions under which men can carry on the business of life in safety and peace. The only man who can dispense with government and law is a man alone on an island of the sea. When another man lands on that island the first one has to readjust himself in recognition of the presence of the other who also has a right to live. As human society becomes more complete in centres of population, readjustment becomes ever more necessary. Once I knew a lad who, in the proud possession of his first motor car, went from his quiet neighborhood into a city. In the exhilaration of swift movement the young lad was taking a short cut across a street intersection when he was halted by a policeman, who said: "Remember that there are other people in the world besides yourself." It is because there are thoughtless and careless and heartless and vicious people in the world that the policeman represents government for the general good of human society. He exists, as the Scripture says, to be "a terror to evildoers and a praise to them that do well."

Splendid Lot of Men.

I have met policemen everywhere. I have seen them patrolling the streets of great cities and riding their mounts on the lonely prairie. I have known them in the softer air of the south and in the snows of the sub-arctic plains. And take them all in all they were a splendid lot of men. Here and there we find a blank as one finds in all vocations but, on the whole, men on police duty are to my mind, more faithful and more steady in the discharge of their duty than the general run of men. The compulsion of uniform, the honor of the force, the consciousness of the badge or the star—all have an influence, in addition to their native powers that demand honest expression. So they go their way in all kinds of weather day and night, in constant danger at all hours on duty, ready to throw their lives in the balance for the sake of law and order—a strong, sturdy, fearless body of men moving up and down all across our country.

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AUTOMOBILE DETAIL

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cers that both men were dangerous criminals, that they were traveling heavily armed, that they had a Peerless roadster which they had stolen, and that in the back of the machine under the plate glass they had a slit cut to shoot through in case they were pursued.

The Peerless roadster, a stolen car, was described in detail, all numbers given, with the suggestion that the holdups would undoubtedly make all changes possible to disguise it.

Not only were the police and sheriff's office of Los Angeles making every endeavor to apprehend these two desperate stickup men, but the Automobile Club of Southern California took part in assisting, offering a big reward for the capture of the pair, and emphasizing the warning of the officers "TO TAKE NO CHANCES WITH THESE MEN AS THEY ARE HEAVILY ARMED AND WILL SHOOT TO KILL."

All this data was handed to the members of the auto detail of our department, and each man was given all the details of the car, as well as good descriptions of the men wanted. Each squad of men of the auto detail made every endeavor to locate the two as well as the machine.

Detective Sergeant Phillip Lindecker and myself as well as the others of the detail started an intensive search for all Peerless roadsters. We checked on them all and by elimination narrowed the list down to only two cars. We were trying to get a check on these two roadsters, when on July 12, as we were passing the Iriquois Hotel we spotted a roadster which we had never seen before. The numbers were strange to us. On close examination we saw that all the resemblances to the Los Angeles car were on it. Carefully we looked at the numbers on the motor and found they had been changed. We also observed that the car had been hastily and poorly repainted. We knew we had found an important lead.

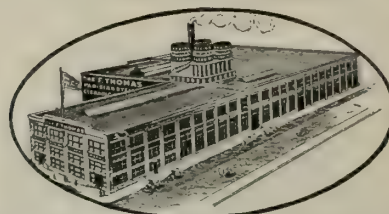
We took up safe and convenient places and waited. Our vigil lasted for hours, but was finally rewarded when two young men came out of the hotel. They started to get into the car. We dashed up, with drawn revolvers, ready for instant action, bearing in mind the admonition of our southern brother officers, just as they started away we drew up aside of them. They were so taken by surprise they offered no resistance.

In the machine was found the following, to show that the warnings that they were well armed and desperate:

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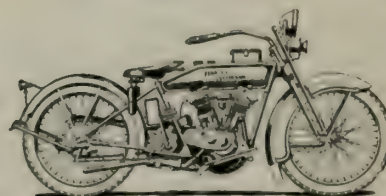
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keys, cap, used for disguise and a beaver hat for same purpose.

From their room in the hotel the following:

Holster, with revolver, 45 calibre, and belt filled with cartridges; several unimportant articles, and a bottle of ink erasing fluid and a mixture for smearing over registration certificates. These boys would take the name off a certificate with the erasing fluid, substitute one of their aliases or some other name and smear a mixture over it to give it the appearance of long usage.

This was the condition we found the certificate in the roadster.

Both prisoners went to the city prison quietly, remarking that they thought they were making a good getaway. They were dressed in the proper styles, and would have passed anywhere as prosperous brokers or business men.

Los Angeles officers arrived and took them to the southern city where they were sent to San Quentin for life.

FOR SAN DIEGO

Lyall Austin, alias L. Seal, and F. E. Prentiss, two young men wanted badly by Chief of Police James Patrick in San Diego were arrested last month by Detective Sergeant William E. Milliken and Detective Tompkins.

These two lads were accused of burglary and beat it out of San Diego in a borrowed automobile, with a girl and a young man of their acquaintance.

They thought they were safe when they reached here for they left their auto parked at Powell and O'Farrell streets while they went into a restaurant to get some food. The detectives, with a description of the car furnished by their boss, Sergeant Arthur McQuaide, spotted the machine and waited till the party returned to it, when they escorted said party to headquarters and booked the two boys wanted. They were returned to San Diego, two officers from the southern city coming after them.

ESCORTS PAYROLLS

Conveying \$100,000,000 a month in payrolls and bank transfers is a part of the daily chore of Detective Edwin R. Jones of the police automobile detail.

But he handles a few side issues, now and then.

For instance, he took time to arrest Frank Solan, ex-convict, and Fred Peterson for grand larceny. Policeman John Lynch took the prisoners in charge, while Jones went to call for the patrol wagon.

Jones heard a shot. Rushing back, he found Lynch seriously wounded. Solan had drawn a hidden pistol and bought down his guard. The prisoners had fled. That was May, 15, 1920.

Taking the trail, Jones had the satisfaction later of seeing both men back in jail.

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PICKPOCKETS AND BUNCOMEN

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states that it would be better to let the men there present—honest men—distribute this money, as the clergy might not give it where it belonged. To show the tearful son of the penitent Italian father that they have got money they agree to actually bring as much money as they have got in the bank to that place the next day. This they do, the steerer making sure to keep with the victim until the appointed time next day, lest by some chance he might change his mind on the proposition. The rich son has his money (phony) with him and shows it to them. The steer takes care to have his money and that of the "sucker" in similar handkerchiefs or similar tin boxes so that the "switch" can be made at the opportune moment. Everything is fine. The rich son sees that they are men of their word. He kisses the steerer most affectionately, and, amidst sobs and tears kisses and embraces the "sucker." For the said "sucker" this is the fatal moment, for during this kiss of gratitude the boxes or handkerchiefs are switched, the steerer securing the container of the sucker's money. The rich son wants either cigars or something to relieve the sudden pain, and gives the steerer a dollar to go to fetch the necessary cigar or medicine. The steerer returns with the wrong article and the rich son is very angry indeed and reviles him and asks the sucker if he cannot get the article, handing him a dollar to fetch it quickly. On his return the sucker finds nobody, and, much to his sorrow, he later finds he has newspapers or sawdust or some such thing in his tin box or handkerchief instead of his erstwhile bankroll. In an American "mob," strangely the "steerer" is considered of less ability than the "inside" men, though this should not be the case seeing that the steerer is the one who locates and lands the victim and who obtains all the information necessary for the victim to be victimized. Detective Curtis considers the striking of an acquaintance with a victim and the obtaining of his financial standing and other particulars concerning him and the doing of all this on a short car ride or a trip across the bay as the finest kind of fast, high class work on the part of any man, no matter whether he be a steer or a detective or a seller of bogus stocks.

He concluded his lecture by stating that many of the low class or second rate pickpocket and buncomen have quit their profession and become bootleggers, the latter profession being more lucrative and less dangerous and in addition offering a wider field for their endeavors.

Officer Hughie Lyons, the popular officer who guards the crossing on the Embarcadero, says it makes him lonesome after six o'clock, for then all the pretty lassies have gone home.



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BURGLARY DETAIL

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An instance of how policemen's children some times get the practical side of the work of their father is illustrated in the Axelrod case in the instance of Miss Virginia Casey, 13 year old daughter of Lieutenant Jack Casey of the Central district. Miss Casey two years ago saw a man go away from the home of Charles Davis, 580-16th Ave. She went next door and told the people living there, but they made some remark that she was just trying to be a policeman like her father. A suspect was arrestel a short time later and little Miss Virginia was taken to the Hall of Justice to identify the man. She promptly told the officers they had the wong person. When Axelrod was arrested she was taken to the city prison, Axelrod put in a line with a dozen other prisoners and Miss Virginia sent in to see if she could pick out the man. Without an instant's hesitation she went over and pointed out Axelrod. He admitted she was right.

Axelrod spotted the places he wanted to rob during the day and went to the house when he was not working, rang the bell and if no one answered went in through a window or unlocked door. If there was someone home he would excuse himself by asking if Mr. So and So lived there. He said he needed the money to pay for his house. He got it, but there will be quite a time before he will have an opportunity of enjoying the pleasure of sitting around in his old slippers, for it looks like he will get a chance to do a little painting over at the Big House on the Point.

DETECTIVE McCausland GOES EAST

Detective John McCausland returned last month from a trip to Leavenworth prison where he assisted in the transporting of several men sentenced to the Federal penitentiary. Among the men taken back East as Sydney Lawson, known as "Doc," who was an M. D. graduate of Cooper's Medical College, 72 years of age, who was sent up for three years for dealing in narcotics. A brilliant man, says McCausland, even though having been addicted to the use of drugs for over 52 years, contracting the habit shortly after graduating from the medical school. Lawson was at one time associated with the National Surgical Institute in the '70's, and later tried to establish an institute for "Bloodless" surgery but failed. He told Officer McCausland that he expected to be cured of the habit while in prison and that when he came out he would start life over even though he had passed the three score ten allotment of man.

Another prisoner was Ben Rolphe, alias "Ben the Bug," sent up for three years for counterfeiting, also a drug addict.

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Corporals Dennis B. Devine, to Company "B"; Michael J. Coleman to Company "C"; Edward R. Pootel, to Company "A"; John Murphy, to Company "I"; Thomas F. Flood, to Company "B"; Glen L. Hughes, to Company "F"; John R. Dower, to Company "A"; James J. Muldoon, to Company "E"; Alexander E. McDaniell, to Company "C"; Theobald McCarthy, to Company "I"; James J. Breen, to Company "I"; Rudolph H. Maier, to Company "I"; George B. Duncan, to Company "D"; Clarence A. Byrne, to Company "H"; Lawrence L. McInerney, to Company "E"; Robert E. Lindsey, to Company "F"; Horace S. Drury, to Company "I"; John C. Crofton, to Company "C"; Walter V. Heageney, to Company "F"; Eugene J. Egan, Headquarters Company to Company "F"; Frederick W. Potter, Headquarters Company to Company "I".

Corporal Patrick J. Murray will have charge of the General Office, vice Sergeant Patrick H. McGee, transferred to the Bureau of Permits and Registration, vice Sergeant Michael Riordan transferred to Headquarters Company in charge of correspondence. The other members of the department of Headquarters Company, comprising T. B. McInerney, N. J. Quinn, J. H. Keane, G. S. Hawkins, E. J. Lynch, who were appointed corporals August 1st, will remain in their assignments until further orders.

Corporal John J. Feeney and Corporal Nels S. Stohl, of the Traffic Bureau, will remain temporarily with that bureau.

Corporal David M. Stevens will remain in his present assignment with the Detective Bureau. Corporal Marvin E. Dowell will remain in his present assignment of Detective Sergeant with the Detective Bureau.

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Hollingsworth had escaped from the county hospital in Los Angeles whither he had fled immediately after the duel with Mignola. Hollingsworth had been wounded in the head by a bullet from the local policeman's revolver; had avoided arrest here by a wild ride by auto in company with his wife, and had been arrested when he applied for treatment in the southern city.

Later he sawed through his legirons and disappeared.

The murder charge against Hollingsworth is based on the death of Jules Benevenuto in a soft-drink parlor on Octavia Street, the night of January 13. Benevenuto, shot in a gangster row, died the next day.

It was a week later that Sergeant Mignola, returning in plain clothes from duty at the Mission station, was held up by a bandit trio. He gave battle and they fled in their automobile. Mignola fired and the bandits returned fire. Two bandits were wounded.

Detective Sergeant George McLoughlin left for Omaha August 6 and brought the prisoner back. McLoughlin and his partner, Detective Sergeant Leo Bunner, have gathered a lot of evidence in this case and they will present a strong array of testimony when it reaches the higher court.

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Arrest for murder, James Brown, wanted for the killing of James Reilly, on night of April 21. Was an ex-convict, having been sent to San Quentin from this city for robbery.

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September 25, 1905: The Police Commission last night appointed as regular patrolmen, Frank E. Winter, Dan J. Collins, James J. Torpey, Jeremiah A. Dowd and John S. P. Dean.

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John Daly, arrested by Patrolman John Alpers for assault with a deadly weapon last April, was on May 13 fined \$400 or 200 days in jail.

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April 6, 1905: Richard A. Hoffman was arrested for grand larceny yesterday by Officer James Pearl of District 1.

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Cario Chiapellone was arrested for bribery by Officer P. B. Mahoney of District 6.

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Emile Modeste and Josephine Kerr were arrested for robbery April 1, by Detectives Matheson and Bunner.

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April 4, 1905: Allen Goucher was sentenced to 25 years for murder. Was arrested by Detectives Dinan and Wren.

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Salvatore Gatto was arrested September 3 by Officer H. McGrath of District 3.

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May 13, 1905: Officer P. N. Herlihy is commended by A. Christessen of the Wells Fargo Express Company for stopping one of their horses which had run away. The letter says that the officer undoubtedly saved many people from being injured, and possibly some from being killed.

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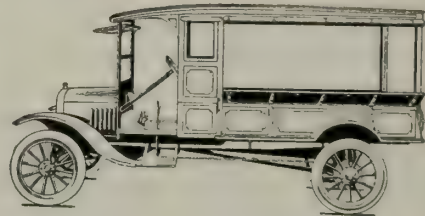
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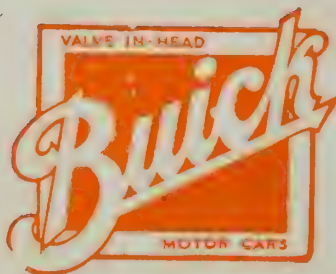
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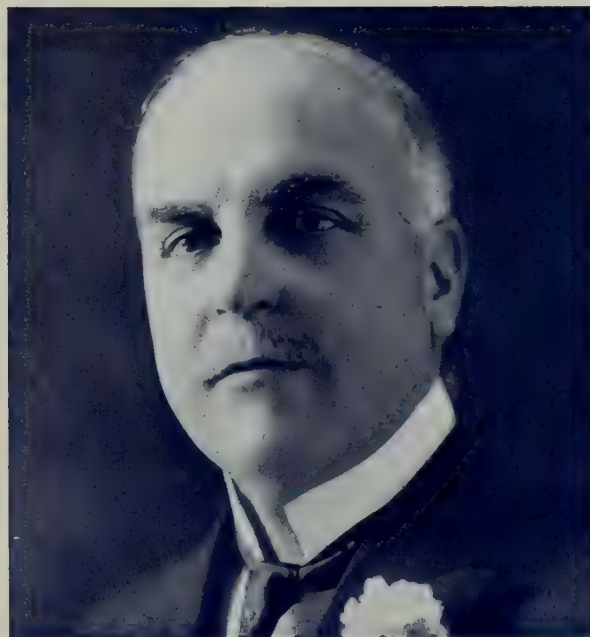
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Games and Tricks of the Bunco Man

By LESLIE C. GILLEN, *Who Submits First of a Series of Articles on Modern Con Men, and of Detectives Hoertkorn and Harris Who Match Wits With This School of Crooks*



Leslie Gillen

the same old gold brick game, fluffed up a little, modernized and improved on.

Frequently a cartoonist or a vaudeville comedian hands the wise public a long and hearty laugh with a gag about the rube handing over a carpet bag full of shekles to a slicker with a waxed mustache for a nice new gold brick.

The public laughs long and hearty because they are a wise blase lot and they know that the gold brick thing went out with the mustache cup and the Sunday afternoon buggy ride. They laugh at two things: first, the gullibility of the sucker and secondly the crude work of the bunco steerer. They think: what a fat chance those guys would have making a living in this enlightened age with all of us smart guys!

But right there the public is all wrong. The gold brick game, played after one fashion or another, is not near as passe as the carriage manufacturing business. And just because this is such an enlightened age and just because there are so many wise guys laboring under the impression that such things could not happen today, that is just exactly why the public is always liable to flop for the old game just as hard as the rube of the nineteenth century.

Several times in the past few years, slickers have sold the sheep that are maintained by the Park Commission to keep the grass lawns at a

certain height to men who were in the sheep business and were not boobs by any means. Several years ago a fellow with more money than sense was negotiating to buy the Ferry Building and woke up just in time. Only five years ago a Russian con man got a great idea and built a money-making machine a beautiful mahogany thing with a crank on it and a slit at either end. All you had to do was put plain paper in one side and turn the crank with the result that at the other end would exit one ten dollar bill after another. He sold these machines to several suckers in San Francisco, and all went well until the machines ran out of the bona fide ten dollar bills that Evenoff (that was the fellow's name) had placed in the machines for a come-on. Then there was a squawk to the high heavens from the suckers who had bought the machines with the intention of turning out \$10 bills for the rest of their lives and thus cheat the government. Evenoff went to the penitentiary and he should have taken all the suckers with him.

A more recent example is the stunt that a couple of slickers successfully put over on Caesar Attell a shrewd, veteran pawnbroker, only a few weeks ago. Anyone who has ever met Caesar Attell or any pawnbroker socially or in the course of business—more so the latter—will concede that it's considerable of an accomplishment to put anything over on this class. Yet, just a few weeks ago, a couple of young fellows with a fanciful story and a few bits of platinum filings made themselves acquainted with Attell and told him they had ten pounds of the stuff which they wanted to sell. Caesar had the platinum tested and it tested high. They struck a bargain and Caesar paid them \$3500 in advance and a diamond ring worth around \$500. They delivered to

Caesar a ten-pound package and were to return for the balance of the money next day. When they did not come Caesar became suspicious and opened the package to find that he had purchased ten pounds of common white wire. Only the few ounces of metal he had tested was genuine platinum. It's the old gold brick game only it's fluffed up a bit.

If the old tricks do not still flourish then why does every modern police department of any size in the country maintain a "bunco and pickpocket detail"? Just a scant week ago Detective Sergeant Thomas Hoertkorn and his partner, Detective Morris Harris, picked up a couple of live boys with records as long as a pedigreed pup. One was Louis Torine, whom neither had ever seen before but the minute they spotted him on Kearny street knew him because of having studied his "mug" in the local police gallery. They brought him in and found they were not mistaken. He was wanted for a \$2500 trick in Los Angeles and a \$4500 trick in Tacoma. They sent him to Los Angeles. The same day they knocked over Joseph Renna, another bunco-steerer, who had graced the interior of a couple of pens and he was given the rush act out of town.

In a previous issue of Douglas 20, a fleeting glimpse of the work of the local "bunco and pickpocket" detail was given and a promise of more was made. This and succeeding articles will be written in an endeavor to enlighten a misguided public on the problems with which these men of the "bunco detail" cope and of the deft and varied bunco games that are played for the sucker's hoarded poke. These games are cut and dried affairs that are worked over and over with little or no diversion from the cut and dried rules of the same. So staple are they that they have names, such as: the "Box Game"; the "Pay-off game"; the "Match game"; the "Letter from Spain game" and a score of others.

Detective Sergeant Thomas Hoertkorn is described by Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson as being "one of the best bunco specialists" in the country and it is doubtful whether there are any who will take a wide exception to this statement. Hoertkorn knows bunco men and pickpockets like a surgeon knows his instruments. He has studied them quite as diligently and long. He knows bunco steerers he has never seen personally in his life but he has studied their records, their habits and their mode of operating. Let it be said that Detective Harris, his partner, who is a much newer man at the business, has taken advantage of the teachings of a finished tutor and is rapidly developing into another schooled obstacle for the followers of the great god bunk, who have to possess the nerve of a burglar, the deft hands of a magician and the acting ability of a tra-

gedian to successfully follow their profession. They are quite the most skilled of the criminal school.

The most popular bunco games of today are games that can be played on the streets with little or no expense. They are the Italian, French, Austrian and Serbian bunco games and the steerers prey upon the sons of these nationalities, who, though their garb is that of the rough laborer, still nearly always the rough flannel shirt covers a money belt that holds \$4,000, \$5,000, or more.

The "box game" and the way it is played is best unfolded by Hoertkorn in recalling a case of some four or five years ago when he and other members of the local detective bureau knocked over Milen Sajatovich and his partner, Victor Hugo, sent them to San Quentin for an extended vacation and recovered for one Leo Bahn who then resided at 841 Webster street, his entire savings of \$5430.

This case unfolds a perfect example of the box game. To begin with, Sajatovich had become enamored with a beautiful Los Angeles girl and being a suave, handsome fellow himself, easily passed himself off as a millionaire with oil interests and married her. They came to San Francisco where he hooked up with his old partner, Victor Hugo, quite as polished and clever as himself. Hugo already had a sucker lined up and it looked good. This sucker was Leo Bahn, a Serbian, who worked in a south of Market machine shop. Both Hugo and Sajatovich spoke his language and it was not long before Hugo had forged a staunch friendship with the rather lonely man who was hungry for the association of a fellow countryman. Hugo spent much money on Bahn and every Sunday for several weeks they spent the day together.

Then the game began. One Sunday they were sitting in Golden Gate Park together, when, enter Sajatovich. His hair was flying and he had a wild look in his eye. He acted like a crazy man and he flew along the path before the pair, tearing his hair and screaming oaths. He stopped and addressed Hugo and Bahn—needless to say, the victim was not allowed to know that the two bunco men were acquainted, so addressing both as total strangers, Sajatovich said: "Excuse me! I hear you talk my language and know you are my country men. Did you see the man with the gold cap pass here? I want to catch that fellow. I gave him one piece of money like this—" (here a \$20 gold piece is exhibited). "He don't come back. I will catch that fellow with the gold cap. Did you see him? You are honest men and you will help me."

Hugo gave Bahn a nudge and a knowing wink as much as to convey: "This fellow acts like a crazy man." Bahn agrees. Then Hugo tells the

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Mayor Rolph and the Police Department

There is no finer organization of its kind in the world than the San Francisco Police Department.

We admit this, naturally, but it is likewise admitted by competent officials everywhere, by experts who follow closely the accomplishments and the methods of police departments both in the United States and abroad and who know efficiency when they come across it.

There is one prime reason for the success of the San Francisco Police Department, and that is—

Intelligent co-operation.

Not only does this co-operation exist within the Department, between Chief of Police and his subordinates and between Department and Company heads and the men, but it exists also, in a highly consistent way, between the Mayor and the Police Commission, and the Chief.

In nearly twelve years during which he has graced the high office of Mayor of San Francisco, James Rolph, Jr., has maintained the highest degree of harmony with his police officials, from the highest to the lowest in rank. His policy has been one of imposing full police powers upon the Department, without unnecessary interference, and the result is that the responsibilities which have accompanied these powers have ever been borne in a remarkably capable manner.

There has been more than one occasion, in the past decade and more, when the Police Department, and the administration in general, have faced a crisis in municipal affairs. Problems have arisen which it was necessary to solve—quickly and in the proper way. Lives have had to be safeguarded more than ordinarily, property protected more than usual, a definite policy shaped to suit the needs that arose.

In all of these matters the Police Commission and the Chief have had the full advantage of Mayor Rolph's time and experience and judgment. Many a night have these officials sat in conference until the early hours, outlining methods of procedure with the sole object of protecting the interests of all our citizens.

From the standpoint of the rank and file of the Department there has never been an administration in the history of San Francisco which could equal the Rolph administration in fairness and impartiality, more than which no one can ask or expect.

Headed by the indomitable "little giant of the administration," Theodore J. Roche, and with the full co-operation of the other three members, Jesse B. Cook, Dr. Thomas E. Shumate and Andrew J. Mahony, the Police Commission appointed

by Mayor Rolph has proved a tower of strength, yet have its decisions ever been tempered with justice and mercy.

In 1912, when Mayor Rolph assumed office, the members of the San Francisco Police Department were receiving \$120 a month in salary. By vote of the people in 1919 this was raised \$20 a month, and a second raise of \$30 a month was secured, likewise by vote of the people, in 1921.

In both of these campaigns for better wages for the police officers of San Francisco, Mayor Rolph was one of the men's staunchest supporters. He gave freely of his time and efforts and influence, and the voters were made to understand that he thoroughly approved of the asked-for raise.

The men were getting one day off a month when Mayor Rolph took office. Today they are receiving a day off a week. Recently, during the winter months when crime is naturally the most prevalent, the policy was adopted of "doubling up" watches, so that patrolmen could walk their beats at night in pairs, thus lessening danger of attack from gunmen and providing greater efficiency in coping with the criminal element.

This policy necessitated the temporary relinquishment of the day-off, which was later restored. General Order No. 106 of the Chief of Police, dated August 22, 1923, took care of the matter in the following language:

"Under the system which established one day off every two weeks, it means that eight days off were relinquished by the members of this department in the interest of their own protection and in the interest of public safety, and at the request of His Honor, Mayor James Rolph, Jr., with the consent of the Honorable Board of Police Commissioners, I am authorized to direct Company Commanders to allow the members of their respective commands to take the eight days off mentioned at a time when in the judgment of Commanding Officers it will not interfere with the proper performance of police duty."

In resume of the attitude of Mayor Rolph toward police administration by the San Francisco Department, attention should be called to the many occasions, publicly and privately, on which Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien, who has become famous among Police Chiefs of the world, has paid tribute to the Mayor's friendly help. Harmony has been the keynote throughout the administration of Chief O'Brien, just as it was during the regime of the late Chief D. A. White, and the result has been to place San Francisco in the forefront in modern police administration.

Civil Service Secrets

By IVAN N. MAROEVICH, Well Known Attorney, Who Gives Interesting Details of Test for Police Officer.
Other Articles Will Follow



Governmental appointments, either State or Municipal, before the adoption of the Civil Service were made either by reason of political favor, competency or friendship. The positions were practically political appointments and lasted as long as the appointee was in power, and upon his political demise his successor would discharge his opponent's aides and employ his own acquaintances.

However, on January 8th, 1900, upon the adoption of the new Charter of the City and County of San Francisco, provision was made for municipal appointment by means of Civil Service examinations. The San Francisco Civil Service law is copied almost verbatim from the Chicago Civil Service law and was introduced in our city long before the State attempted the use of the Civil Service.

Its advantages both to the individual applicant and to the public are apparent. The individual is employed by reason of his proficiency and competency, and does not depend upon political preference. Our municipal government has been saved thousands of dollars annually and is benefited likewise in a three-fold manner, to-wit:

First: Department managers cannot now create an office in their department and seek to fill it by employing a friend of theirs. They must consult the Civil Service list and the individual having the highest general average or percentage heading the list is appointed to the vacancy. Therefore, the incentive to create positions is lacking.

Second: The results of these examinations secure bright, competent and proficient men for any and all vacancies.

Third: The employee himself knows his position is secure and permanent and that he cannot be dislodged during good behavior and attendance to his duties, thereby relieving him of the constant worry of dismissal which existed under the old regime and which tended to make him careless in the discharge of his duties.

In the beginning of the Civil Service examinations, psychological tests were exclusively used and especially during the World War period, but now the tests used are fair examples of the in-

dividual capacity of the normal individual. If an individual succeeds in his examinations he will be given rank on the eligible list in accordance with his present average percentage.

The primary requisite entitling an applicant to participate in these examinations (confining ourselves exclusively to examinations for policemen) is that he must be a citizen of the United States, not less than twenty-one or more than thirty-five years of age, a resident of San Francisco for at least five years, next preceding the date of his application and must pass a satisfactory medical examination before physicians employed by the Commission. The medical examination given is considered equivalent to that taken by applicants for life insurance seeking to secure a Ten Thousand Dollar policy.

The subjects and their relative weights for each examination on a scale of 100 are: Relative Capacity and General Knowledge of Duties, 50; Athletic Test, 40; Physical Excellence, 10.

By a special provision of the Charter, Section 22, Article 13, the ex-service men are given a special preference:—

Article XIII—Section 22:

In the case of entrance examinations to establish eligible lists in the police and fire departments, veterans who became eligible for appointment by attaining the passing mark established for the examination, and whose service as veterans exceeds three months, shall be classified on such eligible lists in the relative order of the individual ratings attained, and ahead of all non-veterans passing such examinations and shall be eligible for appointment on the basis of such order of standing on such eligible lists. This preference shall expire five years after the ratification of this amendment."

Under the Athletic Tests the applicants are required to perform the following:

1. Ladder Work—Hand over hand up and down 10 rungs.
2. Lifting 50-lb. dumb bell—Five consecutive lifts with each hand.
3. High Jump—Four feet, 10 credits; three feet eight inches, 8 credits and so forth.
4. Vaulting the Horse—Four feet six inches high without touching it with any part of the body excepting the hands.
5. Dipping on Parallel Bars—Five dips at 2 credits each.
6. Carrying 150-lb. Sack of Sand—Sack must

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CHIEF'S PAGE

KEEPING UP WITH THE CROOKS

By CHIEF OF POLICE DANIEL J. O'BRIEN

Does it become a police official to stalk forth the vague unknown form of conjecture? If we will be honest with ourselves, the problems that confront us frequently clothe themselves in strange garbs and encircle us with ill-defined barriers.

The application of the police authority with which our government endows us is constantly undergoing radical changes as the result of the assimilation of our own people, the changing classes of foreign population and the rapid development of our social, economical and industrial structures. From a police standpoint, the question, that some way, some how, this body must attempt to answer intelligently is,—are American police keeping apace with the evolution of crime and the criminal?

To proceed orderly, not to an attempted answer of the foregoing, but rather to a statement of the underlying factors that prompt the above query, permit me to set forth the following:

Crime of today is more swift in its execution, with the possibility of its cover alarmingly greater. This demands that police methods be speeded, our analysis of crime more certain,—more keen, and our records of investigation more detailed. The possibility of lightening transportation as an aid to crime is a factor that must be seriously reckoned with. The entire nation will shortly become an intricate artery system of diverging and distance annihilating highways. It is highly important then, that police pursuit be immediate and every rapid means for the dispatch of information be available for efficient policing.

The time is practically here when aviation will be utilized by individuals criminally inclined. The development of this wonderful air service is as certain of lending itself to criminal plan and execution as has every advancement of our past civilization. This is an extreme illustration, but if police perspective is to be broadened, this can only be accomplished by a visualization of problems that will confront us.

It has been proven repeatedly that the detection of crime cannot be wholly accomplished without the faculty of imagination. This fact can be shown by a comparison of the detective forces of the English-speaking countries with the Continental detective system of Germany and Austria.

The members of the detective forces of the last mentioned countries have been drawn almost entirely from men old in the foreign army service and men who had been trained to submission to a system that had its foundation and plan of development in the militaristic feudal times. On the contrary, the detective forces of Great Britain, Canada and America have been composed of men who were inducted into detective work at an early period in their career.

Thus the great majority of our men suffered in no wise from the repression of the previously mentioned class. The result has been among our own detectives that individual ability, a recognized scent of crime, the application of personal plan, have been permitted and encouraged. The American system of crime detection relies in no part upon a rigid check system of registration of our liberty-loving public.

It follows therefore that the ability to picture, the willingness of men to study certain classes of criminal operators, and to carry a veritable mental storehouse of crooks require that the detective brain be keenly developed. This cannot be effected in the physical order without imagination enjoying a similiar development. You may say that the illustration in point is extreme, but the admission is compelled that at a later date crimes abetted by aeroplane facility must be reckoned with.

It is necessary, therefore, from a police standpoint that police departments firmly and for all time resolve in favor of the most efficient forms of rapid transportation. As speedily, as consistent, the use of air or other instant avenues for the dispatch of police information must be recommended to the financial bodies of our cities.

It is highly important that the American police ever be apace with the same rapid means that the high-grade crook always resorts to. Let me emphasize the need of equipment for rapid police pursuit cannot be stilled by the cry that the old means are quite sufficient. Progression in police work can only be retarded by a corresponding injury to society. This is an age where advancement in police service cannot be denied.

The proof is obvious that crime is more swiftly executed today than at any past period. This compels the further conclusion that crime can be covered or concealed with far greater ease as the result of present day means. We must recognize

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Fire Commissioners City and County of San Francisco



Mayor James Rolph, Jr., and the Board of Fire Commissioners

1—Commissioner Davis.

John F. Davis was born on Angel Island, San Francisco Bay, and received his school education at the North Cosmopolitan (now Hancock) Grammar School, in this City, and at the San Francisco Boys' High School, where he was graduated in 1876. Taking a year's post-graduate course there, he entered Harvard College in 1877, and was graduated from there in 1881. He studied law at Hastings Law College (University of California, whence he was graduated in 1884, and was admitted to practice law in the Supreme Court in May of that year.

He was appointed Judge of the Superior Court of Amador County in 1892, and resigned in 1894. He served one term as State Senator from the Tenth District, and in 1903 was appointed by the Governor Code Commissioner of California.

In December, 1903, he moved his offices to San Francisco where he has been engaged in law practice ever since.

3—Mayor James Rolph, Jr.

By virtue of his office, the Mayor, as the executive head of the San Francisco Fire Department has, during his twelve years as Mayor, been consistent in his policy of making this protective branch of the City government the most efficient in the United States. The Rolph administration completed the installation of our Five Million Seven Hundred and Fifty Thousand and Dollar high pressure fire protection system and, largely through his efforts, backed by a loyal Board of Supervisors, has effected the complete motorization of the Department.

2—Commissioner Mikulich

Commissioner William C. Mikulich was born and raised in San Francisco. He attended the public schools, and at an early age adopted mining as his profession. The 1906 fire changing as it did many careers, he entered the insurance brokerage business, which he still maintains. He is an ardent supporter of both Mayor James Rolph and Senator Hiram W. Johnson. His appointment as Fire Commissioner was made by Mayor Rolph in November, 1917. He was re-appointed in January, 1918 for a four year term and again in January, 1922.

4—Commissioner McCabe.

William P. McCabe was appointed to the Fire Commission on January 8, 1923, and is, therefore, the newest member of the body. He is a native of San Francisco and has lived here all his life. At an early age he became an apprentice at the molding trade and after mastering the intricacies of the craft and graduating into

the journeyman station he joined the Molders Union and began taking an active part in its affairs filling most of the offices in the organization when it was struggling against great odds for standing and recognition, finally becoming its first regularly employed Secretary and Business Agent.

Later on, as delegate to the Labor Council from his union, he was elected to the responsible position of Recording and Corresponding Secretary and Business Representative of the central body which office he held at the time of the fire in 1906 and was one of those who gathered together the scattered fragments of the organization immediately after the disaster and speedily had it doing business in the regular way.

After resigning from the Labor Council office he became Superintendent of the Eagles Building on Golden Gate Avenue. When the Labor Council Hall Association was organized he became Secretary of the organization and worked long and hard in preparing the plans erecting the

splendid home which the Labor Council now occupies. From the opening of the building up to the present time he has been Superintendent and Manager of the building, which has been one of the few notable successes in fraternal buildings in this city.

5—Commissioner Ehrman

A member of the Board of Fire Commissioners, born at Mission San Jose, Cal. Educated at Lincoln School and Oakland High School, and Washington College, Irvington.

He went to Alaska during the gold rush in 1898 and '99, and on returning to San Francisco went into the wholesale tobacco business in which he prospered greatly. Mayor Rolph appointed him a member of the Board of Fire Commissioners in January, 1921.

Mr. Ehrman in addition to being actively engaged in civic enterprises affecting San Francisco's welfare and keenly devoted to his business ventures, is a model home man, finding his pleasures in midst of his children at his home at 3212 Jackson Street.

ATHLETIC TEAM AT SACRAMENTO

The first aid team of the second athletic class of the San Francisco Police Department took part in the First Aid Contest held at Sacramento, September 3, under the auspices of the Society of Safety Engineers of America.

The team, composed of Patrolman William Dathe, John Kelley, William MacRae and Thomas Price with Sergeant Patrick H. McGee as captain in charge, in the opinion of the judges and members of the society, gave a remarkable performance taking into consideration the conditions which existed.

Patrolman Dathe, one of the best men of the team, met with an unfortunate accident while making an arrest Sept. 1, while assisting Patrolman Albert Christ. Dathe was severely bitten on the hand which materially detracted from his best performance. Coupled with this handicap was the extreme hot weather, which made even old timers in Sacramento complain, also the fact that this was the first time that any of these men had ever entered into competition prevented the team from winning the prize, but they made a percentage of 91 $\frac{1}{3}$, which is a record they can be proud of.

In his report to Captain William J. Quinn, commander of headquarters company, Sergeant McGee closed with the following paragraph which is a splendid example of what our department is accomplishing along the lines of police work:

"The conduct of the team on and off the field was commendable, the one thought in the mind of each member was to win; they gave no thought of weather conditions, inexperience or other adverse happenings, and gave their best, acting as members of the San Francisco Police Department would be expected to act. We were defeated but not disgraced."

GALLATIN BRINGS PRISONER FROM NEW YORK

Patrolman Charles Gallatin left a couple of weeks ago for New York where he expected to take into custody George W. Miller, when the lat-

ter walks out of Sing Sing prison after doing three years for manslaughter.

Miller is wanted in San Francisco on an embezzlement charge. Some three years or more ago he is charged with having gotten away with \$6000 worth of good stock belonging to Henry Bolton. Bolton made a "kick" and the case was assigned to Gallatin who was at that time in the detective bureau.

Gallatin traced Miller eastward but suddenly lost all track of the man. He could not get a line on him so he began to watch the records of men sent to the state prisons throughout the country. Finally his vigilance was rewarded for through the mails came the record of a man sent up from New York. The picture accompanying it was compared with the one Gallatin had and the man proved to be Miller. It developed that after leaving this city he went east, finally winding up in New York where he bought a high powered automobile. After owning it but a short time he ran over an Italian woman, was arrested, convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to three years in Sing Sing.

SERGEANT MORRISEY CAPTURES PAIR OF CROOKS

After a thrilling chase in a commandeered automobile, Police Sergeant John M. Morrissey, on vacation, his face white with lather and half shaved, captured two men September 1, alleged to have slugged and robbed M. Young, furniture dealer, in his store, 738 Larkin street.

The prisoners gave the names of Manuel A. Pever, 1130 Market street, and Henry Carson, 27 Sixth street. They were booked on charges of robbery at the Bush street police station.

Young, unconscious and suffering from a lacerated wound over the right eye, was taken to the Central Emergency hospital where it was found that his injury was not serious.

A wallet containing \$127 in currency, found in the possession of Carson and Pever, was identified by Young as the one, he said, they took from him when they attacked him in his store.



DETECTIVE BUREAU

CAPTAIN OF DETECTIVES DUNCAN MATHESON *in Charge*

WHY SO MANY YOUNG CRIMINALS?

By CAPTAIN MATHESON

This question has caused police authorities throughout the country a great deal of thought and study with no immediate relief in sight. The police viewpoint has never been seriously considered by those administering the law or by the public at large.

The public has been educated by so-called reformers and sentimentalists, and by propaganda adroitly presented, so that they believe that by some kind of social service young potential criminals can be reformed by patting them on the back and saying, "Go and sin no more."

This kind of treatment has been applied for many years and the result does not justify its continuance. In following juvenile cases through all the courts it is self evident that graduation is almost certain after many appearances in the Juvenile Court to some juvenile institution, from there to the reform school, and finally to the State Prison.

There has been a tremendous development of the young potential criminal under this system and the unfortunate situation is that the young desperadoes know in advance what will happen to them if apprehended. They figure in advance what disposition will be made of their cases and on being questioned will state to the officers that they're wasting their time in making the arrest and that the charge will either be dismissed in the police court or probation will be granted by the trial court.

It is therefore obvious that there is no deterrent effect in the law when the potential criminal after close analysis can determine what will happen to him. This situation is not confined to any city in particular, but is general throughout the country. Discussions are even had in the State Prison as to the effect the severe laws recently passed at Sacramento will have on criminals at large and comment was made that on discharge they would leave the State.

Crime will never be reduced or even held in check until there is a complete reorganization of Society, developed along the lines of proper education, home training and environment and religious training. Respect for law and constituted authority is absolutely essential, but law and con-

stituted authority must be worthy of respect. Substitution for these fundamentals by a few sentimentalists of their fanciful fancies for handling young potential criminals not only increases crimes but is demoralizing as well.

The International Association of Police Chiefs at their convention held in Buffalo this year went on record in no uncertain language as being opposed to the present system and unanimously stood for the three great fundamentals.



No Police Department in the country equals the record made by the Auto Detail under command of Sergeant Arthur McQuaid. Besides recovering stolen machines the men under Sergeant McQuaide convoy payrolls, maintain a night shotgun patrol of the entire city and have made a reputation that is known all along the coast.

People wonder how the automobile detail recovers so many automobiles and why they get a lot of them that were not stolen in this city. To those who know the inside workings of this body of young men under Sergeant Arthur McQuaide an answer can be given that will explain in a measure and that answer is embodied in the fact that the men who make up the detail are sticklers for the smallest detail and overlook nothing that may lead to the identification of a car.

No matter how many numbers may be changed, no matter if the top has been changed, or a new coat of paint is put on the entire car, the auto squad will grab it if it comes here, for there is always some little thing left undone by the crook which will tip off to the members that the car is stolen.

We will cite an instance of cleverness along this line that happened some months ago.

A San Jose man reported his automobile stolen. Information and description were sent to this city. The auto detail got it. No trace of the car could be found in San Francisco, but the members of the detail kept the machine in mind.

One day three months after the theft, while cruising about North Beach Detective Sergeant

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PAWNSHOP DETAIL



Lieutenant
Henry Powell

On August 27 Ralph Sebrian was held up by two men at the corner of Pine and Octavia streets. He was relieved of a sum of money, and a gold watch with his initials on it.

Sebrian reported his loss to Lieutenant John Fitzhenry and in the usual course of police matters, the "kick" was referred to the pawnshop detail. Each man was given all the data obtained relative to the robbery. A description was furnished each of the two men who perpetrated the crime, as well as the watch, number, size, and the fact that it was a specially designed keepsake.

Two days later the watch was located in a Third street pawnshop, the proprietor of which, in his daily report, included the numbers of all watches pledged. The numbers of one watch were the numbers of Sebrian's timepiece. Sebrian was elated when he was advised he could get his chronometer back.

But he was more pleased and greatly surprised when two days later he was called to the Hall of Justice and asked to take a peek at two gents in the city prison. The two gents were put in a line with a dozen others and without batting an eye Sebrian identified them as the two stickup boys who relieved him of his chattels and money.

He wanted to know how it was done.

This is what happened:

All the members of the detail, including Lieutenant Henry Powell in charge, Sergeant Jere Dinan, Detective Sergeants James Regan, A. B. Riehl, John J. Callaghan, Ernest Gable, George Hippley, and George Stallard had the descriptions of the robbers furnished by Sebrian. The description of one was especially impressive; it included the notation that "the man wore a greenish-gray whipcord suit with cap to match, made up in a fancy way." Four days after the robbery two men were picked up for vagrancy. One of them wore a greenish-gray whipcord suit with cap to match and the fanciness noted by Sebrian was noted in the personal adornments of the "vag." when he marched down the line of detectives for the morning "showup." Each member of the detail recognized that vagrant as fitting the description. He was taken on for some questioning, and after the pawnshop man identified him as the man who had pledged the watch under the name of F. Walters and Sebrian had identified him and his companion he broke down and confessed.

HOTEL Detail



Detective Sergeants Fred Bohr and John Dolan of the Hotel Detail tell of the clever and daring manner in which hotel thieves operate and how it is almost impossible to "get them with the goods" unless assisted by hotel clerks and hotel men.



MISTAKES SOME HOTELS MAKE

By DETECTIVE SERGEANT FRED BOHR

August has been the largest month of the year for the hotels. Every large hotel was filled to its capacity and advance accommodations could not be taken care of. This condition will prevail until the end of this month and is accounted for by the return of tourists from the Orient and various points en route to their homes after vacation periods.

Three burglaries were reported during this traffic and in each case the property was taken by a thief who occupied a room in the hotel for the night. Very little was taken.

Four hotel defrauders were reported by managements, owing about \$50.00 to \$200.00. These people took advantage of the heavy transit and carried out their effects in small quantities. They continuously made promises of payment to the management showing on one occasion a telegram received stating that a draft was to be sent to them from an eastern state at a later date, showing that they would get a certain amount of money. Investigation showed that the defrauder had some friend send the telegram to him as the firm sender did not exist. In each case the manager, satisfying himself in the explanation, made no effort to secure any information as to the identity of the guest by watching his telephone and mail connections and the defrauder left behind his description and handwriting which will probably have but little effect in his apprehension, as he may leave for the east.

Managers of hotels should treat cases like this with precaution and prepare themselves for the guests' disappearance by placing them under observation and if possible ascertain if such a person is a member of any fraternity and request seeing his membership card. One of the reasons for the management not locking the room is that after he checks on the supposed defrauder's baggage he finds it invaluable and nurses the guest along taking a string of promises.

This type of man is generally wanted by another department or has a record with the police. A phone call to this office will assist in these cases.

Athletes of Our Department

By EVELYN WELLS. *Third of Series of Stories Dealing With San Francisco Policemen in Field of Sport. Another Will Appear in Next Issue*

Corporal Harry Reilly, attached to the office of District Attorney Mathew Brady, was one of the classiest and hardest hitting welter-weights of his day. When he was matched with any of the fast boys of his time the fans were sure to see some action, with Harry furnishing most of the action and coming out with the big end of the purse. He had numerous fights at the old Wood-



Evelyn Wells

wards pavilion at Fourteenth and Valencia streets and the k. o. was used in most of his wins.

If he had continued in the game of padded mitts he would have undoubtedly become a champion, but instead he forsook this sport in 1908 and entered the police department and has been attached to several of the close-in stations until a couple of years ago when he was detailed for special duty work with the district attorney.

Harry was scrapping in the days of Dick Hyland, Jimmy Carroll, Lew Powell, Frankie Neil, Harry Tenny, Sam Berger and several others whose names in pugilism has not been dimmed by time.

William Zocchi, attached to headquarters company, and who is the driver of the fleet-footed Ford roadster that makes several trips to the station for Chief of Police O'Brien every day of the year, was some boxer in his day. He fought under the name of Kid Parker, and most of his boxing was done in the old Golden Gate and Olympic clubs. He is a brother of Eddie Dennis, one time feather weight champion of the Pacific Coast.

Bill, who sometimes used his own name, always gave a good account of himself in the ring, and was on the road to the top of the pugilistic ladder when he joined the police department in 1909. Since then he has been put on duties that

called for speed and he used to ride a big motorcycle so fast that Chief O'Brien had to get him a Ford because he was afraid Bill and the report would not get to headquarters at the same time if he continued on the iron horse. In all his years at the wheel of the automobile or at the handles of the motorbike, Bill has never had an accident which shows he is a careful, if speedy, driver and that his eyes got some training while he was in the ring.

Detective Sergeant George McLoughlin was a generation ago a hard hitting welter weight who met all comers and who never left the ring a loser. He accepted matches from all the boys who would face him, and gave away weight in order to get matches. He had a wallop that has stood him in good stead in the police department. He quit the realm of pugilism in 1906 when he joined the San Francisco police department and his activities in police work soon attracted attention and he was brought into the detective bureau where he has handled some of the most important cases of homicide and robbery. It is said of him he never used a stick on a prisoner having learned in the prize ring the art of self-defense and how to take care of himself in all cases with only his natural weapons.

James McEachern, patrolman assigned to the Central district is a hammer thrower. He cleaned up everything on this coast and for many years there has been none who could toss the hammer weight farther than he. He attended the Olympic games in Europe on two occasions and each time gave a good account of himself. He is still active along this line of sport and takes part in many local events, and whenever there is any call for a man who has a strong arm and which calls for some strenuous tossing, "Mac" is sent on the job and once he gets on the job traffic begins to get normal in a short time.

Detective James Mitchell is training to swim the Golden Gate, after which he intends to lower the record for swimming around the Seal Rocks. Jim says with his own invention of the Farralone wiggle he can beat these guys who use the Australian crawl stroke.

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Corporal Michael Coleman of the Harbor district remarks that it takes a guy several days to get used to the darkened district after working in the Central sector for years. Mike says that his beat when a patrolman was almost as large as the entire section covered by the Harbor.

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Detective Ed Jones of the automobile detail took his annual dip in the briny deep at Santa Cruz this year. He took his family to Glenwood for the yearly outing.

How A Hero Got A Wife

EDWIN C. GILLEN, *Police Reporter for The News Gives Details of Romance of Police Officer Charlie Mangels*



Edwin Gillen

Policeman Charlie Mangels, of the Central station, is the heroic, romantic type around which movie plots are written.

Nearly every San Franciscan remembers that night of August 4, 1921, when Mangels was rightly acclaimed the hero of the police department for saving the life of a

little girl.

Few, however, know of an earlier episode in Mangels' life, that was flavored with heroism and romance and made him as happy, if not happier, than when he saved a little girl from drowning.

The life-saving episode took place on a gloomy, foggy night, when Mangels was patrolling the waterfront in the vicinity of pier 31, where the American Red Cross relief ship, peopled with Russian refugee children was docked.

A number of the tiny refugees were playing with a ball on the dock when little Vera Micholove ran to fetch the ball she had missed and in the dark, misjudging the distance, took a misstep and plunged off the edge of the dock into the water between the hulk of the great ship and the piles.

A cry went up from her companions on the pier.

Mangels, hearing the screams of horror from the vicinity of the ship, raced to the scene in time to see little Vera sink below the surface for the second time. Pausing only to discard his cap and gun, regardless of his own safety, he plunged into the icy waters.

Twice he dove and was unsuccessful, but on the third attempt he appeared above the surface bearing the unconscious body of the little refugee. After pulling her to the dock, Mangels administered first aid to the victim and she finally recovered consciousness.

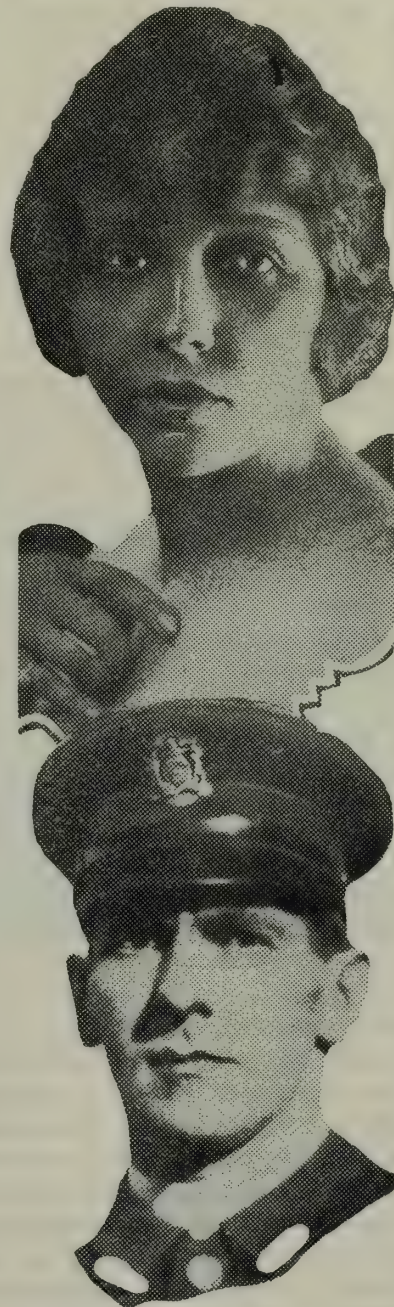
Later, Mangels was presented with gold medals by the Red Cross and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children as well as a \$100 check given annually by the Red Cross for the best life saving act.

Eight months previous to the life-saving episode, Mangels displayed his heroic tendencies when he beat a gang of hoodlums who tried to insult Miss Elizabeth Godfrey on Mission street near Cortland avenue.

Mangels, whose beat then took him deep into the Mission district, received instructions to watch for a gang of ruffians that made it a prac-

tice to insult unprotected women they should chance to meet on the street.

On the night that Mangels received orders, he was forced to put them into effect. As he passed a corner at Moultrie and Cortland, he noticed four



Courtesy Daily News

Officer Charlie Mangels and Mrs. Mangels

men and a woman alighting from a late inbound street car, and he paused to watch them as they crossed to the sidewalk.

One of the men approached the woman and was about to accost her, when Mangels rushed to her

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Statues In Golden Gate Park

By SERGEANT PATRICK MCGEE for Many Years in Charge of the Park Mounted Police Detail, and Who Knows This Great Playground as But Few Know It



Sergeant
Patrick McGee

A fascinating subject and sad to say, one that has received so little attention. Our historians write learnedly and at length about the Discovery of Gold and the Pony Express; our essayists on the Italian Renaissance, the oilers of our great moral engines on the "Wild Bull of the Pampas" and such like, but not a word about one of our greatest attractions. The artists who conceived and builded their works of art—and the word "art" is used advisedly—critics to the contrary notwithstanding, are men of note in their line, only being unfortunate in that they are for the most part native products.

Let us stroll along in leisurely fashion through the Garden of Eden, yclept Golden Gate Park, a description of which wonderful garden is unnecessary as it has been pictured by abler minds than the writer's. But may we not digress for the moment in passing, to pay our small tribute to that wonderful Scotsman, John McLaren, who wrought from the desert and made prolific that acreage of beauty. We treasure it as a fond memory to know and revere him.

Here at Baker street, where the park begins, where the broad roads diverge into parabolic curves and form the entrance, is erected the monument to the martyred President, William McKinley. What does it matter that the huge pile representing Columbia mourning does not compare, from an artistic standpoint, with the Arch of Triumph or the statue of Frederick the Great; the fact that it was erected by a loving and reverent public is sufficient warrant to cover any lack of artistic design. It was dedicated shortly after the death of McKinley, and such a dedication! There to speak in his dead chief's behalf, came that paragon of Americanism, that great naturalist, that man unafraid, Theodore Roosevelt. You might look in vain in the park or elsewhere in our great city for a statue of Roosevelt, and those well acquainted with the city could not direct you, but it is there—not wrought in bronze or silver, or stone, or iron, but fashioned by that God in whom Roosevelt was a devout believer. If you would see this beautiful and immortal monument, go to the Steinhart Aquarium, and there gracefully cavorting in its tank, gaze on that wonderful work of nature, the Roosevelt golden trout, named, so 'tis rumored, by that ichthyological authority and courteous gentleman, Doctor Barton Everman.

As we wander along the flower bordered pathway, in the language of the spieler on the rubber-neck wagon, "On your left, ladies and gentlemen, is the statue of Gen. Halleck, commanding general of the United States Army in the beginning of the Civil War; erected in 1886 by his friend, Major General C. W. Callum."

The Ball Player, creation of our own Douglas Tilden and "gift of Mr. Brown," so the books say, (but it is believed to be the gift of a former public official, whose unostentatious giving has helped many struggling artists) stands near the Halleck monument. On a mound near the Conservatory is the monument to that other martyred president, James A. Garfield, erected by popular subscription in 1885. Opposite the Conservatory on a sloping lawn sits Rodin's "The Thinker," gift of Mrs. A. B. Spreckels. On the main drive near Seventh avenue, is the Scottish bard, Bobby Burns, the creation of our own son, Mr. Earl Cummings, whose marbles and bronzes are known wherever art is spoken of, erected by Scotch citizens in 1908. Just around the bend of the Music Concourse, in a sheltered nook is Thomas Starr King whose voice did much to hold California in the Union. Erected by the Starr King Monument Committee in 1892.

In the drive further on is the man who in a great measure was responsible for the allied triumph in the Great World War, General John J. Pershing, erected in 1922, the gift of that public-spirited citizen, Dr. Morris Herzstein. Here on an eminence overlooking the Music Concourse, are the German poets, Schiller and Goethe, erected by a committee of German citizens.

In front of the Academy of Sciences sits the author of our National Anthem, Francis Scott Key, erected in 1889, gift of the California Pioneer, James Lick. Here, as he appeared in the dock, stands that Irish patriot, Robert Emmett. The dedicatory address was delivered by that other Irish patriot, Eamon de Valera, in 1919, gift of Senator James D. Phelan.

Here by the tunnel is that eminent German composer, Ludwig von Beethoven, erected in 1915 by the Beethoven Mannerchor. On a little knoll, just to the south of the band stand is the statue of Verdi whose magnus opus "Aida" was written for the Sultan of Turkey. This indeed was a dedication, for on that day, the incomparable Tetrassini, our adopted daughter, rendered selections of the Maestro.

The Durant Case--The Crime of the Century

By PETER FANNING, San Francisco Police Officer, Who Presents First of a Series of Stories on this Celebrated Case



Peter Fanning

One of the most atrocious crimes ever committed in San Francisco was the murder of Blanche Lamont and Minnie Williams, which took place in the Emanuel Baptist Church on Bartlett Street, between 22nd and 23rd, in the month of April, 1895, and for which Theodore Henry Durant was convicted and suffered the death penalty.

It is the story of the murder of two conspicuously bright, innocent and loveable girls, in which the hand of assassination seemed to have been gloved by the most sacred things.

This hideous story opens with two girls, with-

hood. Thus had she been made wise and hard beyond her years, and with all, her character was firm and self-reliant.

At the time of Blanche Lamont's disappearance, several of the Sunday school scholars entered the church one evening and made a horrible discovery. They found nothing to arouse their suspicions until they reached a small room off the library. Entering it they found, lying on its back, covered with blood and with clothing disarranged, the body of a girl. She had been stabbed in several places. Her right hand had been almost cut off and there was a horrible gash on her forehead. Some of the clothing had been torn from her body, and the appearance all pointed to an assault followed by murder. It was soon ascertained that



Theodore Durant and His Two Victims

out maternal guidance. The first of these, Blanche Lamont, was a wholesome, healthy girl, of a strong, well built frame. She was attending school, had romantic ideas, and possibly all of a foolish girl's longing for strange adventures. In the month of April of 1895, she suddenly dropped out of sight.

The second, Minnie Williams, was of a perfectly opposite type. She was of a very small and frail physique, and from her appearance she looked as though her life would be short. There was no girlish romance in her composition. She had witnessed the miserable causes that had separated her parents, had herself suffered the hard pangs which the discovery of a lover's duplicity had forced upon her, and had been driven from a position of comfort to perform menial services for her livi-

the murdered girl was Minnie Williams, a Sunday School classmate of the missing Blanche Lamont. The closet in which she was found was in the front part of the church. The body lay in such a position that the right arm outstretched, and was in sight from the library entrance. A broken case knife, with which the murder had been committed, lay near the body. There was no evidence of a struggle and the chances are that the assault was a complete surprise to the victim. The wounds were frightful to gaze upon. There was a gash extending between the eyes to the right, two slashes on the breast where the dress had been torn open, and the probably fatal wound on the right wrist. A stab in the right breast broke a piece of the blade off the knife. It remained

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MATHESON AT MODESTO

When a man with the standing of Duncan Matheson, who in his position as captain of detectives in San Francisco, has actually dealt with life in all its phases, utters a word of warning, it behooves us to listen.

Matheson painted a dark picture in his address before the Exchange club. He warned that if the present spirit of unrest increases, the American flag is in danger. He might have added, American morals.

We are particularly interested in his suggested remedies. What does this practical policeman recommend?

He suggests re-establishment of the old-fashioned American home where religious influences predominated.

He wants to see every boy and girl sent through high school and Sunday school.

The Boy Scouts do not become criminals, he says.

He raps the apartment houses as opposed to the cradle.

He suggests the benefit of manual labor when he speaks of too many plush-covered automobiles and too few wheelbarrows.

Religion, schooling, proper supervision of childhood through the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and kindred organizations, more attention paid to the home life, these are the remedies, and we think Matheson did not miss it far.

The girl or boy who is raised up through the Sunday school and develops the spiritual side, is not going to go wrong. The spiritual side of one's nature acts against evil just as serum defeats disease germs. Without that resistant any nature is apt to fall before the multitude of temptations placed before modern youth.—Modesto Evening News.

SPECIAL FUNERAL DETAIL

As a tender mark of appreciation of the friendship so often expressed for the San Francisco Police Department by Herbert and Mortimer Fleishhacker, Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien on the occasion of the funeral of their mother, Mrs. Delia Fleishhacker, detailed a squad of motorcycle officers and others to attend the ceremonies and accompany the cortege to the cemetery from the family home at Menlo Park.

Mrs. Fleishhacker was a pioneer of California and rounded out four score and three years. During all her life time she has been an inspiration to her two sons, who have become recognized through the West for their financial ability and their work in developing so many natural resources, and business enterprises.

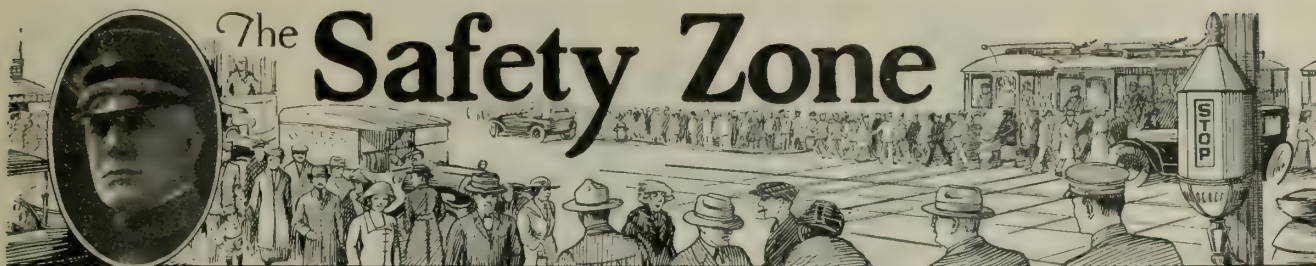
Her charities were many and she was ever ready to render assistance to the worthy needy, and many a man and many a woman will miss this kindly soul, who practiced the golden rule and who gave happiness to all classes.

The throngs that attended the last services indicated in what esteem she was held, for there were those from all walks of life gathered to do her honor.

S. F. POPULATION SET AT 687,000

San Francisco's population is now 687,000, according to an estimation made recently by Thomas F. Delury, district manager of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company. He arrived at the figures by estimating that close to four persons use each of the 180,000 telephones in the city.

Three hundred orders for new phones are being received daily, making it necessary to open a new exchange, "The Greystone," which will serve the neighborhood of Hyde and Sutter streets, Delury said.



A page devoted to timely and interesting discussion of Traffic Laws and problems.

Readers of "Douglas 20" are requested to contribute.

Communications must be signed with full names and with address and contain not over 100 words, (unless on special articles).

Names of contributors will not be published unless requested.

Communications will receive earliest attention.

Address communications, Captain Henry Gleeson, Safety Zone, Douglas 20, Police Department, San Francisco.

Editor of Safety Zone

Sir:

For the benefit of the police officers of the—— station, will you tell us what will be the new laws regarding the following traffic matters?

- 1st. Right of way at street intersections.
- 2nd. Can a firm drive three or four automobiles over a street under the power of the first car?
- 3rd. How many lights of different colors is allowed on the front of an automobile?

Police Officer.

Answer.

Brother Officer:

I want to thank you for your communication. The safety zone was opened in "Douglas 20" to encourage inquiries on traffic laws from members of the department and these columns are always open for just the kind of a letter that comes from you and your brother officers.

I will quote you the State law, that will govern after September 1st, 1923, the matters in which you are interested:

- 1st. Right of way at street intersections. Section 23 says:

That the intersection of two streets is the area embraced within the prolongation of the boundary or property lines of two or more public highways which join one another at an angle, whether or not such public highway crosses the other.

This means, lines drawn to form a square from property line to property line marks the point at which an automobile coming from the right must stop to give a machine that is coming from the left the choice of going by first.

Right of way as defined by Section 24 is the privilege of the immediate use of the highway, meaning that the man coming from the left has the privilege.

Section 131 says: A vehicle entering into an intersection of public highways at a lawful speed, shall have the right of way over a vehicle approaching from the left, unless such vehicle approaching from the left shall have first entered

into such intersection at a lawful speed in which event the vehicle on the left shall have the right of way. From this we find that if the vehicle coming from the left comes into the view of an operator who is coming from the right and before he can reach the property line, he must stop and let the machine coming from the left pass by.

You will note the reference to the lawful rate of speed, as this rate of speed is defined to be 15 miles per hour, you will be prepared to act and decide in such cases as may be in dispute.

All operators of a vehicle coming out from a private road into a public highway must yield the right of way to all vehicles approaching on such public highway, which means a long wait at some private road down the peninsula sometimes.

- 2nd. Hauling vehicles in caravans.

This will be absolutely prohibited under Section 90, State Motor Vehicle Act, which makes it unlawful to have more than one trailer or vehicle attached to any motor vehicle on any public highway.

3rd. This question is most important from the particular standpoint, that Section 111 provides that it shall be unlawful for any person driving or having the immediate control of any vehicle to drive the same upon any public highway with any red light visible from directly in front thereof. This section shall not apply to police or fire department vehicles.

A motor vehicle may carry the following lights: Two headlights of equal candle power; more than one spot light can be used if properly fixed; not less or more than two sidelights which cannot have lamps or bulbs in excess of 4 candle power.

From this we learn that a motor vehicle can have six (6) lights as follows: Two headlights; two spotlights; two sidelights, which side lights may be any color except red. There is a light that is being used which is placed on the radiator between the two headlights and which is now under investigation as to its legality, which will be settled in a few days.



Patrolman Mansfield Joy of the Central district went up to Donner Lake last month for his vacation. He did not make any new records for fresh water swimming, but he got more service for about three days at this well known resort than any visitor got there this summer. Mansfield wrote a letter engaging a cabin at the lake for his two weeks outing with his wife and family. As soon as the letter was received the best cabin was set aside for him, and the word passed about that George Wingfield, the Nevada millionaire, was coming. When Joy got out of the auto that conveyed him to the lake the hired help got busy. Nothing was left undone to make the stay of the visitor enjoyable. He had but to suggest and the said hired help took things on the run. The \$25 tips did not materialize and a newspaper man who happened to be at the lake and knew Joy inadvertently let it be known that the man believed to be Wingfield was Mansfield Joy, a San Francisco policeman. One bell hop was heard to say, "And me doing all this hopping for a cop."

Sergeant Charles Birdsall of the Harbor contends that ball players make good policemen. We'll say they mostly do, for Charley used to be a crackerjack first baseman.

Protective Officer Katherine O'Connor and Detective James Hayes went to Phoenix the latter part of last month to bring back Peter and Quala Vassel, wanted for flim-flamming Peter Markel out of \$500 on a matrimonial stunt. According to Markey, Quala represented she was single and that Peter was just her brother and she and Markel got engaged and he gave her the money to outfit for the wedding. After getting the \$900 the lady disappeared according to Markel, and Detective Sergeant Tom Curtis and Ed Wiskotchill located them in Phoenix where they were arrested and held for the San Francisco police.

Jack Tillman in charge of the Shell Oil station at Van Ness avenue and Sacramento street, was fanning with Patrolman Percy McPartland and Joe Nolan the other day and he said squirting oil was a lot better than shooting the padded mitts. Jack was some artist with the gloves in his day.

Protective Officer Kathleen Sullivan and Detective Sergeant George Wall went to Los Angeles the first of the month to bring back Frank Wentzel and Laura Hoover. According to the complaint filed against Wentzel in Judge Jacks' court, Hoover forgot to get a legal separation from his first wife, and eloped with Miss Hoover, the pair being married in Pasadena, and a short time after the wedding ceremony they were taken in custody by Los Angeles officers.

Patrolman Patrick Kissane who guards the destinies of the folks who live on Polk street in the Bush district, says it is hard to tell Buicks from Packards now.

Patrolman Walter Harrington of the Bush district saw a crowd gathering on Van Ness avenue at the Willys Overland building and he dashed down to meet a riot call, but found it was only a lot of interested prospective purchasers looking over the new models just sent west from the factory.

Protective Officer Katherine Eisenhart and Detective Sergeant Harry Cook went to Fresno last week to bring back three prisoners, two women and a man.

Charles McChesney, who put over a piece of "bum" paper on the Hotel Whitcomb last week, did not get to enjoy the proceeds of his ill gotten gains very long for Detective Sergeant Charles Maher of the check detail nabbed him in Haywards and brought him back to this city where he was locked up on a charge of violating section 476a of the penal code.

Corporal Hamilton Dobbins, the efficient right-hand man of Captain John Mooney of the Richmond station left last month for New York where he went to meet his old boyhood chum and life-long friend, Robert Mantel, the eminent Shakespearean actor. These two men when boys shipped before the mast from England, were shipwrecked on a lonely island and were rescued after being marooned on the isle for some time. Their friendship has endured through all these years and every time Mantel comes to San Francisco he is the guest of Corporal Dobbins. And once in a while, Dobbins takes a trip east and he is then the guest of the great actor.

Patrolman Tom Collier of the Richmond says he sort of got the itch for the white country when he heard of the new gold strike in Alaska. Tom made the trip up north during the big rush of the '90's, and knows the country like a book.

The other night a belligerent young man drifted into the detective bureau and began to unload a lot of unfit language. He refused to be quieted and when Officer W. E. Mudd started to give him the air he out with a razor and prepared to carve his initials in Bill's physique. Bill comes from Alabama where the national weapon of defense is the well known whisker remover. He has not had much defensive training, but he has some mighty good police training, for such antics so he whipped out the old "pop" and told the combative young carver to drop the blade. The intruder took a look at Bill's face, then at the barrel of the gun and he ceased further carving efforts. He was locked up, and Bill says he was lucky the guy only cut a small gash on his thumb.

Captain Fred Lemon says the North End district furnishes one with any diversity of scenery desired. Alp like hills are to be found aplenty, flat prairies where the exposition was reach to the bay, and forests abound in and along the Presidio. If you happen out by the exposition grounds you may note that there is something of a building boom out on that section of Van Ness avenue.

Richard Hughes of the burglar detail was last month elevated to the rank of detective sergeant by Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien on recommendation of Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson. The new detective sergeant has been in the department for some ten years and from the time he first became a patrolman assigned to the Park district he has made good with a bang. He was instrumental in the capture of Owen Conn, the \$200,000 burglar, in 1913. One of his most recent exploits was the capture of a murderer wanted in Oakland for killing a police officer.

Captain Marcus Anderson of the Park keeps a detail busy shooting the cats out of Golden Gate Park. These felines do more damage to young birds and rabbits than do the dogs that occasionally stray into the park.

Sergeant Patrick McGee declares the boys who are taking the course in the classes conducted by himself and his assistants, Detective Sergeant Jack Cannon and Patrolman Peter Maloney, to perfect themselves in the art of self defense and of giving assistance in all emergencies are showing more interest each time they meet.

Lieutenant Henry Powell in charge of the Pawnshop detail with his gang sees the effect of hard times more strongly than anyone else. They gaze over the list of articles pawned each day, and each sheet submitted to them by the pawnshop keeper has a hidden story of some sacrifice to get enough food to eat, maybe to buy needed clothes maybe just to get some up-to-date duds. It's all a day's work with these boys and they don't have much time to reflect on the whyness of the thushness.

A gent was telling Captain Mooney that the sirens out in the Golden Gate must be awful annoying at nights. The Captain told this party that after you have lived a few months in the Richmond district you can't go to sleep unless they are blowing their doleful notes.

Captain Herbert Wright of the Bush district had part of the circus in his district and Captain O'Meara had part in his. O'Meara got the crowds for his sector housed the main tents. The Bush housed the feed tents and animal quarters.

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Police Officer Edward Meridith, the well known philosopher of the Central district, says you can't make a race horse out of a mule and you can't make a Diogenes out of a hophhead.

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Officer Franklin K. Lane has spent a portion of his vacation up at Gin Flat where he says the sun shines the brightest and the trees are the biggest.

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Sergeant Charles Groat of the Harbor district and his partner, Officer O'Dowd, can tell you when the tide is out or in by just looking at their watches.

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Sergeant Jere Dinan of the Pawnshop detail gave the natives a visit at Skaggs springs last month. Jere says the springs are still doing business at the old stand and that the patrons are drinking more water than before old man Volstead's little boy said drinking "licker" wasn't just the thing.

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Policeman Bill Gleason down in the Southern district says the gents who were paying sixteen dollars for a silk shirt are now buying dollar alarm clocks to be able to check in at work at starting time.

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Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson says there are too many high powered automobiles and not enough wheel barrows these days.

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Arthur Dolan and his side kick, Ed Pidgeon, the mounted boys out on the ocean beach, have been so widely advertised as life savers that the life-weary ones have quit trying to seek a watery grave.

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Patrolman Con Desmond of the Central station has returned from his vacation at Seiglers. While up there the boys from the department at this resort, numbering Detective Sergeant Michael Mitchell, Jack Farrell, Michael Gaffney and Maurice Behan dubbed Con the "Sheik of Seiglers" because they say by official count Con danced 66 dances in two evenings at the springs. This is sure some record and shows that Desmond must have been one popular guy with the fair ones.

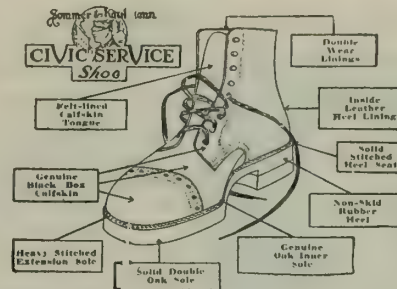
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Special duty men Ed Dathe and Al Christ, working out of headquarters, have been making it tough for the drug store cowboys and the bell bottomed pants sheiks of the city. They get them ogling the fair maidens and it's to the wagon for the would-be Valentinos. They have made Union Square a pretty safe place for a girl to pass through or the office girls to enjoy their noon hour on the benches of the park. Chief O'Brien says these boys who annoy women must seek other pastures than San Francisco, and with Christ and Dathe and Tom McInerney he selected lads who can make it unhealthy for the he vamps to linger here.

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At the last Civil Service Examination in San Francisco for Police Court Reporters, at \$250 per month, with extras, for life, Gallagher - Marsh Business College graduates, Walter E. Trefts and John F. Gallagher, were the only ones who passed and now occupy said positions; all graduates of other colleges who entered the contest failed. To verify this statement we refer to the records of San Francisco Civil Service Commission. Therefore, send your boys and girls or friends to Gallagher-Marsh, Turk and Van Ness Ave., for best results. All Police Court reporters recommend this college; ask them. Day School, \$15 per month; Night School, \$6.

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By AL WILLIAMS



Al Williams

I have received the following very interesting and very much appreciated letter:

"Dear Mr. Williams: A consistent reader of Douglas "20," I have followed your articles with absorbing interest, because at seventy-five I am still following what you term "set exercises," that are my own invention,

in the privacy of my room; and some of them I evolved from physical culture suggestions, that I transformed to fit my gymnastic equipment, which is a plain chamber suite, the bed of which has a footboard whose top is cylindrical, and serves as one horizontal bar; a pair of divided dumb-bells that I've had since back in the 80's of the last century, and a composition pool-ball.

"I rise early, for the aged require less sleep than the youthful, and my nineteen stunts are religiously gone through in twenty minutes if the weather is temperate, and fifteen on cold mornings.

"I cannot fix the exact period of commencement, but am sure it is more than thirty years, and here, way beyond the allotted three score and ten, I am doing exercises that the medicos advise against, such as shadow boxing, horizontal bar, falling from a four-foot line against the bed and springing back into an upright position.

"I am being constantly told that my heart is too old to be subjected to such violence, but as long as I can do these exercise stunts with a relish, and my heart does not protest with any kind of a warning, I purpose keeping them up.

"My digestion is perfect, my cheeks are rosy, I negotiate a strenuous job with the efficiency of a man half my age, and feel that these blessings are the direct compensation of consistent daily exercise, and had I not employed it as a preventive agent, I would have either passed long ago, or be undergoing repairs in some sanatorium.

"It was just such work as you are now doing that kindled my ambition to exercise, and there is no computing the number of your readers who will reap substantial benefit from your articles.

A Time-Defying Athlete.

"P. S.—Pardon my not revealing my name. I am a merchant of some prominence, obscure so-

cially, and shun publicity.

T. D. A."

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The one thing I regret is that the gentleman did not give us more information as to just how he exercises.

I hope he writes again and gives us complete details. He says he is seventy-five and is as ef-



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ficient in his work as could be any man half his age.

That ought to be a lesson to those who are always saying that exercise does a person little good, and that it is positively harmful, after a certain age.

Write us again, young man of seventy-five, and go into detail about how you do your exercises.

You can do more good by so doing than we young chaps can do with a hundred articles.

Most persons think that what WE say as to exercising after a certain age is based on nothing more than theories—that we're not old enough to know.

You have proven your case. SO TELL 'EM.

We won't publish your name. All we want is the information—we want it for those old men of forty and fifty years who think they are all through.

Write us, young fellow.

Detective Sergeants Leo Bunner and George McLoughlin "knocked over" a sweet bunch of crooks when they took into custody James McQuaide, William Bray and Mabel Elliott and charged them with robbery. This gang was identified as those who robbed Mrs. Ethel Hyde after beating her up, and throwing her out of an automobile; and the two men are accused by two crippled girls with having taken them in an automobile and after attempting to assault them beat them up with the crutch of one of the girls. McQuaide is out on an appeal from a 90-day sentence given him by a justice of the peace in San Rafael for trying to beat up the captain of the Golden Gate Ferry last month. It is to be hoped that no time will be lost in putting these two lads away, for no matter what the arguments may be relative to prisons, the only place to put these sort of cattle is in a barred cell, where they will not beat up any more women. Bunner and McLoughlin did quick work in this case and it is to be hoped the rest of the work to be done with them will be accomplished as quickly and surely.

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Captain Eugene Wall of the Ingleside station can tell anybody that an artichoke won't attack you.

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Sidelights On A Coast-to-Coast Auto Trip

By K. A. LUNDSTROM, JR., *Leading Hat Manufacturer of the Pacific Coast*

Just a few lines regarding my trans-continental trip to New York and return.

Naturally I am a little strong for San Francisco, but disregarding my personal feelings I will relate the conditions as I observed them in the different cities and I will also tell you a little about the manufacture of hats.

Leaving San Francisco and going East by way of the Santa Fe trail gave us an excellent oppor-

tunity to size up the traffic situation in different cities.

cisco, and under Captain Gleeson's able instructions, they would soon learn how to handle traffic. While on our trip we spent a few days at the largest hat factory in the world—the John B. Stetson factory in Philadelphia; and it was there that I watched them make a good many hats for Lundstrom in San Francisco. I might also say that the Lundstrom Hat Works is one of the largest Stetson accounts on the Pacific Coast. The



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tunity to size up the traffic situation in different cities.

I will only make mention of the larger cities and best known ones. We passed through Los Angeles, then the next good sized city was Albuquerque, then Colorado Springs, Denver, Omaha, and a few good sized towns in Iowa; and then Chicago. From Chicago through Indianapolis to Washington; through Baltimore, Philadelphia and then New York. After leaving New York we stopped at Buffalo, then at Detroit and from there we drove to Chicago again. Leaving Chicago this time we drove through Milwaukee, Wis., St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn.; through South and North Dakota; Montana; and then into Yellowstone Park. From Yellowstone we drove through northern Idaho, Washington, Oregon and south to San Francisco.

I still contend that San Francisco "knows how". I do not believe there is a city in the United States where the traffic is handled as well as it is in our city by the Golden Gate; and with all of our law enforcement, I do not believe there are any police officers in the country as polite and friendly. I do not care to mention any city in particular; but there are many cities I know that could profit by sending a few men to San Fran-

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Detective Sergeants Michael Desmond and Barth Kelleher

The scow had been made fast to the Star of Zealand, just in from the fishing grounds of Alaska and anchored off Goat Island. The 250 men comprised practically the whole crew of the ship, paid off and ready to make for shore. In some unaccountable manner the lines holding the scow gave way. The small flat craft was quickly carried out of reach and into the tide.

Detectives Michael Desmond and Bartholemew Kelleher were aboard the Star of Zealand, having completed an inspection of the men's baggage.

By the time officers of the ship discovered the plight of the men and notified the detectives, the scow was nearing Golden Gate, perilously near to the jagged rocks that lie half submerged at that point.

Sliding down a line to the police launch, the two detectives swung away from the Star of Zealand and raced after the drifting scow, by this time completely awash.

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KEEPING UP WITH THE CROOKS

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that every instrument or vehicle for advancement is utilized by the keener minds of the criminal world.

Let us consider further the need that police methods, to be efficient, must be speeded to a very high degree. The clues, most productive of result, are those that are brought to police attention immediately. The recognition of finger prints is lessened with every hour that passes before the crime has become known to the police and the scene of crime visited. Witnesses, who may be of value, even by indirect information are frequently lost sight of or seldom become known when a considerable period of time elapses between the commission and the investigation of a crime. If the above be true, it is obvious that the present day analysis of crime must be intensive, accurate, and most detailed. To help attain this result transportation must be of the highest order.

HOW A HERO GOT HIS WIFE

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assistance, and drawing her aside, stood toe to toe with the four administering a terrible beating to them before they broke and ran. He then escorted the woman, who turned out to be Miss Godfrey, to her residence.

Nights followed in which Mangels met Miss Godfrey at the same corner at the same hour, as she came from work and friendship ripened into something more tender. Then Mangels was transferred to the waterfront and then the life-saving episode.

Ten days after little Vera Micholove was rescued, Mangels was granted several days leave of absence and on August 14, 1921, Miss Elizabeth Godfrey became Mrs. Chas. Mangels, which all goes to prove that "only the brave deserve the fair".

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AUTO DETAIL

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George Wall noticed a car standing by the curb with a Nevada license number. He stopped and investigated. He could see all the numbers had been changed, but further investigation developed that one assembly number, that on the body, had not been changed. With this slender thread he grabbed the man when he came out of a store and took him to headquarters.

The man denied his guilt, said he was a tourist and tire dealer and became very much worked up, threatening to sue the whole department. While he was talking and before any charge had been made against him, Wall got hold of the books in the identification bureau and found the man was Joseph Caruso, who did time in an eastern penitentiary for auto stealing, and that he was a member of a big eastern ring that was handling stolen cars.

When shown this record Mr. Caruso admitted he was the man, but denied the car he had was stolen. He was held while further investigation was made.

Wall, believing the car he had was the one stolen in San Jose, got full description from the fac-



Detectives Jack Cannon and George Wall

tory about the stolen car. He sent for the man who owned it. The man said it was not his car. Wall said it was. The man said the top on the one shown him was not like his. Wall developed the fact that Caruso had taken the car to Nevada and with a forged bill of sale got a Nevada registry, put on a new top, cushions, put on a new set of tires, a new bumper, had changed the serial, engine and frame numbers and repainted the job.

The owner said his car was painted brown whereas the one he was examining was painted black. Wall took a pin and scratched the black paint and underneath was the brown. The man then was convinced that he had gotten his car back.

Caruso was charged before the federal court under the Dwyer act which makes it a felony to engage in the interstate transportation of stolen automobiles, was convicted and sent to prison.

During his brief stay here he engaged in deal-

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ing with stolen tires. He would go to some business concern, ask if they wanted some slightly used tires, saying he was in the wrecking business. He would get an order and then go out and steal them off some machine standing on the street. The fact that he had two tires of a different size than used by the machine he was driving, tied on the tire carrier had something to do with exciting Wall's curiosity.

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The automobile detail of the detective bureau has a side line that most people don't know anything about. However, there are some people who know a lot about it and who would feel lost without this side line if it were abolished and that is the banks, manufacturing concerns, brokerage companies and firms hiring many people.

For, during the past few years, men on the auto detail have been assigned in rotation to convoy pay rolls and to escort money being transferred to banks, from banks, and from one bank to another, as well as to steamship companies and such other industrial concerns that have much money to transport.

For fifteen months Sergeant Charles Dullea and Phillip Lindecker did this work alone. Devoting certain hours of the day to the job, and dashing out in the evening and night time to chase auto thieves and auto bandits. During that time they escorted automobiles carrying over \$2,000,000,000, averaging over \$35,000,000 per week.

When they were relieved of this work, the business having increased, Sergeant Arthur McQuaide put on two squads, one consisting of Detective Sergeant W. E. Milliken and Detective Gus Thompkins, the other of Detective Ed Jones and Howard Walsh. These four men are now convoying over \$50,000,000 per week, mostly in payrolls.

During all this time and in the guarding in transit of these vast sums of money not a dollar has been lost, nor an attempt been made to get away with any of it by robbers.

It is the contention of Chief O'Brien and Captain Matheson that prevention of crime is more important than having to apprehend the criminal after he has once grabbed off a sack of money, and in most cases the money is not all recovered.

The boys who engage in this work split their hours so they do their share of cruising about the city in the night time.

Sergeant Arthur McQuaide says that since the improvement made in the Chevrolet this make of automobile is the most sought after by auto thieves, and he advises all owners to securely lock their machines when leaving them on the streets. You can't blame the thief for coveting them; they are a classy bus, but a little warning will save a walk home, if the warning is heeded.

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DURANT

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embedded in the flesh. Another portion was found in a second wound, and a third was missing, but was supposed to be embedded in the body. A portion of the girl's underclothing had been torn off and pushed into her throat and used as a gag. The supposition is that when she entered the church she was accompanied by a man who made an insulting proposal and whom she repelled, but he persisted.

Now the question arose who was the murderer and where was Blanche Lamont. A thorough search of the church disclosed no tidings of Blanche Lamont, but a little later Detective Barney Riehl, who is now connected with the Detective Bureau, climbed up into the belfry, and in breaking in a door he discovered footprints in the dust. Following these footprints he found the nude body of Blanche Lamont.

Now the story began to unfold itself under the shrewd, prompt and highly intelligent work of the police. These girls were both members of the Emanuel Church and were friends. Both belonged to the same class in the Sunday School both had received a lover's attention from Theodore Durant, a medical student living with his parents in this city. He was the librarian of the church, and was assistant superintendent of the Sunday School. He was familiar with the church and carried one of the few keys to its private door. In person he was a strong, well-made young man, with a pleasing and cheerful address. According to information furnished the police by a man named Charles Hill, Durant was the last person seen in company with Blanche Lamont the day of her disappearance.

Following the discovery of the body of Blanche Lamont the police went in search of Durant and learned he had gone into the country with a signal corps. Detective A. Anthony was sent out to get him and located Durant at Walnut Creek, California, and returned him to the city. Many circumstances at once fastened on him which increased each hour with the development of new circumstances, and the first piece of evidence against him was the finding of Minnie Williams' empty purse in one of his pockets at his home and from then on, which will be related later, the splendid work of the police department in the case, rendered to the community.

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CIVIL SERVICE SECRETS

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be lifted from floor, placed on shoulder and carried up and down six steps.

7. Running (distance 145 yards)—18 seconds, 40 credits; 19 seconds, 37½ credits and so forth.

Through the courtesy of the Civil Service Commission, I have been allowed to set forth some of the questions asked at the last examination for policemen on "Relative Capacity and General Knowledge of Duties." For each examination there is a time limit given, and the papers are graded in accordance with the amount of work done and the number of correct answers given within the specified time. In determining the status of each participant in this examination the most perfect paper in each test is taken as the criterion and the other papers graded accordingly.

Arithmetic.

In this branch of the examination there were fifteen questions given, an average example of which were the following:

1. If you row a boat 5 miles an hour for 2½ hours, how far do you row?

2. If 35 men are divided into 6 gangs, five equal and one gang containing one less than the other five, how many men will be in the smaller gang?

7. What is the cost per helmet of 165 fire helmets at \$42 per dozen?

8. If 18 policemen each have beats of 12 blocks how many blocks can each beat be reduced by adding 6 more policemen?

9. At 60 cents a square foot how much will it cost to cover the floor of a room 9 feet by 12 feet?

10. If 2½ tons of hay cost \$20, how much will 4½ tons cost?

11. If a cup which is half full is poured into a cup which holds two-thirds as much, how full will the small cup be?

12. An aeroplane went 3 miles in 75 seconds. How many miles an hour is that?

14. If a train goes 150 yards in 10 seconds, how many feet does it go in a fifth of a second?

Sentence Meaning.

In each group of sentences below mark a cross (x) in the parenthesis before the one sentence which has most nearly the same meaning as the first sentence (in capital letters).

1. MAKE HAY WHILE THE SUN SHINES.

(x) Take advantage of your opportunities.

() Don't work too hard.

() Don't stay up too late.

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Reasoning by Analogy.

In each example below, draw a line under the only one of the four words in the column which is the right word to complete the sentence. The first example is already marked correctly:

1. DOG is to BARK

as LION is to—

zoo

roar

animal

man

cloth

dog

sheep

shears

month
7. FUR is to FOX

as WOOL is to—

day

year

June

stars

planet

comet

sun
9. TUESDAY is to WEEK

as FEBRUARY is to—

spring

season

summer

autumn
13. MOON is to EARTH

as EARTH is to—

often

less

small

none
18. SUMMER is to SPRING

as WINTER is to
19. SELDOM is to NEVER

as LITTLE is to—

Word Knowledge.

In each of the lists below, draw a line under the one word which means the opposite or most nearly the opposite of the top word in the list. The first one is already marked correctly—"soft" is underlined because it means the opposite of "hard."

- HARD

hardy

smooth

soft

pliant
- OFTEN

never

seldom

usually

always
- IMMENSE

overwhelming

infinite

minute

trifling
- CURIOUS

strange

funny

indifferent

odd
- OPAQUE

glass

obscure

transparent

dim
- IMPETUOUS

impious

futile

deliberate

impetus
- SUPERFLUOUS

efficient

crude

abstruse

essential

Penmanship.

In this test you are given a few lines to copy and asked to copy them until the time limit is reached.

Knowledge of Duties.

Some of the following statements are true and some are false. If the statement is true underline

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Representative Gathering.

The recent convention here deepened my general impressions as noted above. It was the largest gathering of its kind I had ever attended. At any rate it was the most representative. There were men present from many of the western states as well as from British Columbia and Alberta. The international nature of the gathering was a delightful feature. The evident sincere comradeship of strong men from both sides of the line was a goodly thing to witness. It all counts in the vast problem of world peace which to my mind rests in large measure with the English-speaking peoples of the world.

The men assembled were of fine appearance. They were not all big men physically but there were no weaklings. For the most part they were strongly built and for patrol work the big man is

impressive in his strength. Many of those present had done regular work in that department, but police work has become a highly specialized business and there are men in the work that never necessarily get into physical tussles though they have the courage to do it.

Police Characteristics.

Take for instance the President, Luke S. May, a distinguished criminologist of Seattle. He is wiry and alert but not big. But his brain works with electric precision, nothing escapes his notice and he never hesitates about a decision. That characteristic, it is true, must be a strong factor with all policemen. They have to think and act quickly in most situations and must train themselves to that end. Speaking of Mr. May he, one afternoon, paid a generous tribute to our country when he said that Canada set the pace for the whole continent in the administration of criminal law and he hoped that the Dominion would con-

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tinue to keep up that reputation for it had a great influence elsewhere. Several incidents in the convention indicated the extraordinary reputation in the United States of Canada's mounted police. I was deeply impressed with the seriousness and earnestness of the convention. There was nothing flippant in the bearing of the men or in the discussions. They spoke well and they listened well. These men said they had come there to learn.

Serious Work.

Their life work is a serious one in the face of the rising tendency to lawlessness and the facilities for criminally inclined men to operate with deadly weapons and high-powered motor cars. In effect these policemen are fighting for the preservation of civilization and it is a real battle. They do not mince matters nor miss anything in discussion. Every man who spoke made some worthy contribution to the discussion and men from both sides of the line took part readily. It would be impossible to name them all and invidious to particularize. But I think all would agree that Duncan Matheson, captain of detectives from San Francisco, was conspicuously able all through the convention as a leading authority on all the subjects discussed. He was born in Pictou, Nova Scotia, but has been many years in the states where his ability and fearlessness are amply recognized.

It was Captain Matheson who led the attack on meddling emotional people who pet and coddle criminals and offenders generally. He contended that the parole and probation system, unless worked in co-operation with the police who knew the cases, was vicious and dangerous to law and order. He claimed that the home, the school and the church should assist in the battle against lawlessness and warned these against any misuse of opportunity.

Entitled to Support.

In all this he carried the convention with him solidly. The men were probably of many churches but they were all pronouncedly reverential towards religion in the many references made in the discussions. To my mind there was a note of pathos in the way they expressed the hope that in proportion to their honest efforts, they should like to have the outspoken support of all good citizens. It is quite certain that they have the opposition and the practical enmity of all bad and undesirable ones. And no community should be satisfied with a passive support of their police. They should be outspoken about it and refuse to be amused by the cheap caricatures of policemen we see on billboards and screens. We have no right to allow men who are so vitally a component part of a well-governed state to be subjects of caricature.

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Climax of Convention.

For, of course, the climax of the convention was reached in the closing hour when the president of the United States and his gracious lady, Mrs. Harding, came into the room where the meeting was held. Distinguished in bearing, unassuming in manner, genuine in the ring of his voice and the frank manly face of him, President Harding, head of a hundred millions of people, spoke a few intense words as to the necessity of well-ordered government and the proper enforcement of law. He complimented the men who were guardians of the peace in the vast northwest of Canada and the States, and said that all who read their history were thrilled by the record of their fearless devotion to duty. And every man in the room, going out again to the important earnest and constantly dangerous performance of his duty, felt a new sense of pride in the part he had to play in his country's life. So ended the convention in a blaze of glory and all looked forward to an even greater gathering in Seattle next year.

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true, if the statement is false, underline false.

1. TRUE FALSE—All men are by nature free and independent.
2. TRUE FALSE—The privilege of the writ of habeas corpus can be suspended at the discretion of a judge.
5. TRUE FALSE—A felony is always punishable by death.
9. TRUE FALSE—Homicide is never justifiable.

In conclusion it may be said that the above give a fair idea of the requirements and questions used in the Civil Service Examination. In the next article, to appear in next month's edition of this magazine, will be set forth the requirements and questions used in the last examination given for promotion in the police department from the rank of policeman to the rank of corporal.

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BUNCO MEN

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crazy man that they have not seen the man with the gold cap whereupon Sjatovich jerks forth a handkerchief and screams and sobs and pulls his hair. Real tears are streaming from his eyes. The man is really crying, Bahn thinks, for how does he know that bunco men produce this effect with the aid of a fresh slice of onion concealed in their handkerchief.

Hugo appears to be exercised over the man's conduct and Bahn is genuinely so. They beg him to sit down and tell them his troubles. First he is reluctant but finally he agrees. So he begins: "I just came from Alaska. I am like wildman and I look for two of my countrymen to help me. My poor father (here a lot of tears) he was very reech man. He has ranch in Alaska and one day when he ploughs his plough breaks on one beeg rock. The rock is solid gold. Pretty soon my father gets seek and when he's dying he tells me to sell the gold rock and the ranch for \$80,000 and come to America and give half to the priest for the poore people. He says if I not can find the priest then find two honest countrymen to help divide the money with will help me. But to show me you are honest, you must put your money with mine until time we give my money away. Then I will make you both very reech men. How much money you got?"

Hugo produces a wad of bills large enough to ditch a locomotive.

"How much you got?" Sajatovich asks the sucker.

Bahn in this case, did not have the money with him but produced a bankbook showing a deposit of more than \$5000.

"That's not money," sneers the wild man from Alaska. "That's just a book like the milkman has."

Both Hugo and Bahn try to assure the wild man that the book represents a deposit but the wild man is from Missouri as well as Alaska and so Hugo advises Bahn that he better get his money from the bank and the wild man probably will make them both rich for helping him. They plan to meet next day and Bahn hurriedly withdraws all of his money from the bank and is at the appointed place on time. The wild man, still as wild as ever is there with a black tin box. He tells them that each will put their money together in a handkerchief and lock it in the box to meet at some later date and do their philanthropy. The meeting took place in Golden Gate Park, Sajatovich got on his knees and unloaded a bloated wad of currency into a red bandana, then looked up at the pair. Hugo dropped his wad in and then Bahn, the victim, dropped in his life's savings. Carefully, Sajatovich folded the bandana.

"Now I will lock it in the box and you will keep it," he told Bahn, the victim, "because I know you

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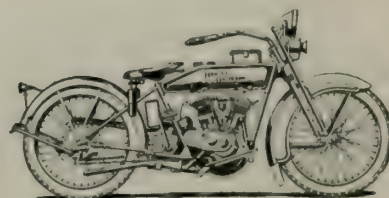
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are honest man and have put your money in here to show you are honest."

Before locking the money in the box, however, in accordance with a very important part of the "box game" Sajatovich began to weep pitifully, holding the bandana filled with money to his heart and calling out: "Oh, my poor, dead father. Oh, all his money. Oh, my heart is seck!"

After some minutes of this ceremonial, during which, oftentimes, the heart of the victim is wrung with pity for the weeping buncoman, the bandana is placed in the box, the box locked and handed to the sucker while the buncoman pockets the key. They part to meet another day.

As in all such cases, when the appointed day came, Bahn was there but his new found friend, Hugo, and the wild man from Alaska were not. Then the germ of suspicion crept into the brain of Bahn and he hastily broke open the box and shook out the red bandana. What he shook out was strips of newspaper. The money was gone.

Of course, when Sajatovich was weeping over his dead father and holding the money to his heart, rocking back and forth, just preparatory to placing it in the box, with the skill of a magician he had switched the bandana containing the money for another one containing the phoney roll from his breast pocket.

Bahn was fortunate for Hoertkorn luckily got a line on the bunco men with successful result. When Bahn reported the matter, Hoertkorn took him to the police gallery and showed him pictures of many well known buncomen. When the photo of Victor Hugo was placed in his hands he shouted in triumph: "That's one of them." Hoertkorn knew at once, then, that the other was Sajatovich. Before two weeks had passed, Hoertkorn and his colleagues, Detectives Thomas Curtis and Ernest Gable, traced the pair of buncomen to a Russian River resort and there they were arrested. Every cent of Bahn's money was recovered from them and each of them got one to five years for the trick on August 13, 1917. Sajatovich's bride had a rude awakening for she had not dreamed that her husband and his friend were anything but millionaires.

(Another article on the bunco games will appear in the next issue).

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Although Sergeant De Guire, immediately following the accident, was compelled to hop on one foot, he and Patrolman Herman Hextrum captured the three fighters and booked them on charges of robbery.

The men gave the names of Charles Ferretti, 28, teamster, 1216 Montgomery street; Louis Gusti, 28, laborer, 1335 Grant avenue; Alfredo Paraducci, 23, laborer, 556 Broadway.

Their arrest was made upon the complaint of Charles A. Juhno, 65 Carmalito avenue, who said that he met the trio early the evening before on Kearny street and that they followed and attacked and robbed him of \$25 at Sansome and Vallejo streets.

When taken into custody Gusti, on whom Juhno's keys were found, accused his other companions and they in turn accused him and each other.

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Twenty-three San Francisco police sergeants will be eligible for promotion to the rank of lieutenant as vacancies take place within the next three years in consequence of their standing in a civil service examination taken last May by thirty-one sergeants, it was announced last night by James J. Maher, secretary of the Civil Service Commission of San Francisco.

Heading the list of twenty-three is Sergeant Michael Riordan, who now has charge of the police department correspondence, with a grade of 93.29. Rating second with a grade of 91.855 is Sergeant Grover C. Coats, and a percentage of 91.198 gave Sergeant Charles W. Dellea third place.

Eight sergeants failed to pass the examination. Ranking of the other twenty sergeants who passed the test follows:

- 4—Sergeant James C. Malloy, 90.707 per cent.
 - 5—Sergeant Francis J. McGuire, 88.573 per cent.
 - 6—Sergeant Thomas L. Hoertkon, 88.38 per cent.
 - 7—Sergeant Bernard J. McDonald, 87.998 per cent.
 - 8—Sergeant Arthur H. DeGuire, 87.283 per cent.
 - 9—Sergeant Emmett Moore, 87.237 per cent.
 10. Sergeant Leo J. Tackney, 86.7675 per cent.
 - 11—Sergeant Frederick W. Norman, 88.583 per cent.
 - 12—Sergeant Albert F. Munn, 83.883 per cent.
 - 13—Sergeant John C. Casey, 82.09 per cent.
 - 14—Sergeant Michael E. I. Mitchell, 82.014 per cent.
 - 15—Sergeant John M. Sullivan, 81.512 per cent.
 - 16—Sergeant Frank H. McConnell, 79.923 per cent.
 - 17—Sergeant Frederick W. Kimble, 79.897 per cent.
 - 18—Sergeant William E. Dowie, 79.849 per cent.
 - 19—Sergeant Frederick O'Neill, 79.229 per cent.
 - 20—Sergeant Charles A. Pfeiffer, 78.522 per cent.
 - 21—Sergeant Michael J. Brady, 78.144 per cent.
 - 22—Sergeant Michael A. Fogarty, 76.736 per cent.
 - 23—Sergeant Peter A. McIntire, 76.361 per cent.
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EMMETT HOGAN TO BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION

Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson, following the pensioning of Detective Sergeant Adolph Juel recommended to Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien the appointment of Corporal Emmett Hogan as a detective sergeant and that the newly appointed sergeant be assigned in charge of the bureau of identification. Chief O'Brien accepted the recommendation and put Hogan in charge of the bureau, he taking charge September 6. Detective Otto Fredrickson was also detailed to the bureau to take the place of Patrolman John Hightower, who asked to be transferred to the Richmond station.

In putting Emmett Hogan in charge of the bureau Captain Matheson made no mistake. It is doubtful if he could have found a young man possessed with a keener mind, a ready understanding of the duties of a police officer, and a willingness to learn.

For the past two years or more Corporal Hogan has been in charge of one of the night tricks in the detective bureau and he has displayed a wonderful amount of executive ability, and has always had the loyal support of the men under him.

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As head of the identification bureau, Detective Hogan will have an opportunity to make the local bureau one of the greatest in the country. It will take much studying and much detail work but with the aptitude displayed in other lines of police work all of Hogan's friends predict for him great success in the new position he finds himself in.

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In the assigning of Detective Otto Fredrickson to the bureau to work with Hogan Captain Matheson also pulled a master stroke. Fredrickson is one of the best clerical experts, one of the best penmen and one of the best students of system in the police department. As clerk for many years out at the Bush street station for the captains of that section his books of records are as near perfect is penmanship, clearness and construction as could be found in any institution or business enterprise.

Corporal Alexander McDaniell lately assigned to the Harbor police station, was put in Hogan's place in the detective bureau. McDaniell was for many years attached to the Bush street station, doing patrol duty in Hayes Valley. He is an officer well versed in police work and will make good in his new job. He took up his new work on September 6th.

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ADOLPH JUEL TAKES PENSION

The Board of Police Commissioners at their meeting held September 4, granted the application of Detective Sergeant Adolph Juel a pension to take effect on the day following.

For some ten years Juel has been in charge of the bureau of identification, and sought retirement after 28 years service because of ill health.

Juel joined the police department in 1895, being assigned to the old North End station under Captain George Wittman.

In 1899 he was assigned to the property clerk's office where he remained until 1910 when he was detailed to the license office. In a few months later he was made bailiff in Judge Weller's department of the police court where he served until sent to the bureau of identification in 1911.

He was made a detective sergeant by the late Chief of Police D. A. White on June 16, 1917, after having charge of the bureau for several years previous.

Juel was a hard worker, and he mastered the details of the finger print system until he was recognized as an expert in this line of work.

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Michael Cunningham was arrested September 14, 1904, by Detectives Regan and O'Connell.

Arthur Macca was arrested September 14, 1904, for grand larceny by Officer Tom Conlon for larceny.

George T. Querbach arrested for murder, by Officer James Mackay in November, 1903, was sentenced to San Quentin for ten years by Judge Carrol Cook on September 15th, 1904.

Driven away from Burrow and Berlin streets. September 15, 1904, black mare about 15 hands high. All patrolmen will keep sharp lookout for this animal.

Fred Tobelman convicted of murder in the first degree by a jury in department No. 6 of the superior court, was on September 15, 1906, sentenced to San Quentin for life. Patrolman Frank Lord and Detective Reynolds arrested Tobelman.

Harry Cooper and James Joseph were arrested September 15, by Officers Plume, Fred Kracke and Hiett, who charged them with burglary.

Carrie Davis was arrested for grand larceny by Officer Mogan on September 16, 1904.

STATUES IN GOLDEN GATE PARK

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And thus, in the fashion of the licensed guide, has our attention been called to the statues of Golden Gate Park, and 'tis a pity that these descriptions have been left to such a poor workman, for it would indeed be a task for one possessed of the dramatic ability of Shakespeare, the poetry of Browning, and the dynamic force of Shaw to do them justice.

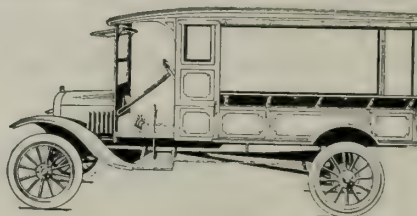
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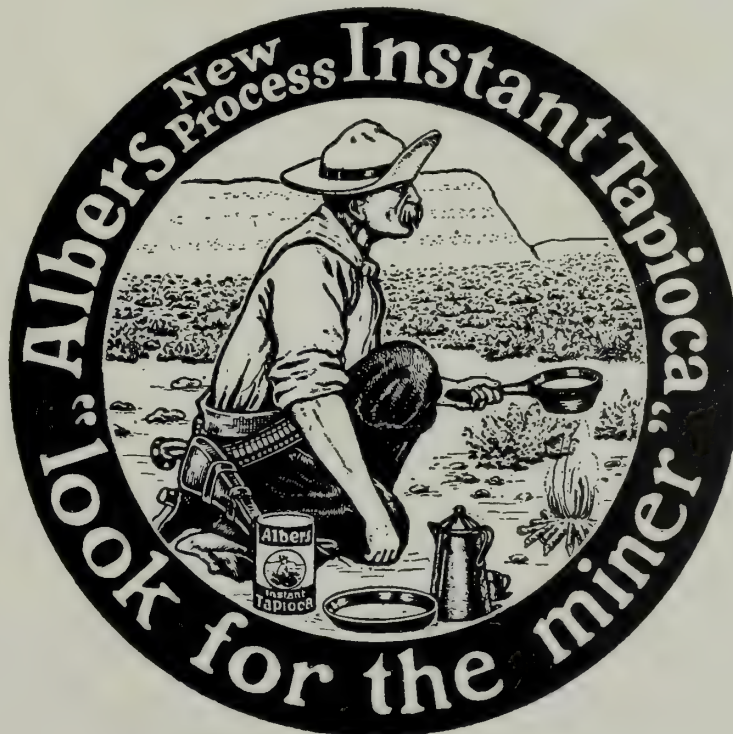
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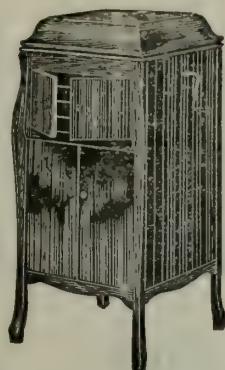
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Games and Tricks of the Bunco Man

By LESLIE C. GILLEN, Police Reporter for The Chronicle, Who Submits in This Issue the Second Installment of a Series on the Tricks and Games of the Wily Bunco Men and the Detectives Who Match Wits With Them and Rid the City of Their Kind.



Leslie C. Gillen

man—but the buncomen must have all of these gifts and then some.

Besides being nervy, as quick with his hands as a magician, and as clever in one way or another as his colleagues of the criminal school, the bunco man in order to be any kind of a success must possess in addition to these accomplishments two other talents, by far the most important to his profession. He must be an actor of no mean ability and he must rely to a great extent upon what he knows of psychology. In a word, he must not only overwhelm his sucker with his acting but he must also know his sucker's mind and practice upon him such psychology as will completely disarm him.

An example of how the buncoman resorts to play acting was given in the first article on the box game and how it was played by two of the cleverest cons that ever flashed a phoney roll. In the box game, one of the two buncomen inevitably must play the part of the crazy man from Alaska and must act the part of having been raised in the most desolate part of Alaska where he never could have seen tall buildings, street cars, automobiles and the other wonders of a modern city. He must be able to cry, eat with his knife and his fingers, and generally impress the sucker with his eccentricities.

The real con, meaning a dyed-in-the-wool bunco man, is easily conceded to be one of the most clever if not the cleverest of the criminal school. The holdup man has an iron nerve, the pickpocket sensitive fingers, the burglar has the instincts of a cat and the yeggman or safecracker, is a finished crafts-

As to the psychology, Detective Sergeant Thomas Hoertkorn, head of the local "Bunco and Pick-pocket Detail" who, with his partner, Detective Morris Harris, were introduced in the last article, gives an interesting and illustrious example of bunco psychology in a once famous case.

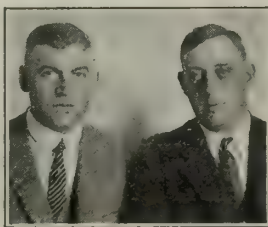
This case happened all of ten years ago, according to Hoertkorn, who vaguely remembers it. The victim was an Italian, whom it will be advisable to call Dondi. Mr. Dondi, and that was not his name, was reputed to be a millionaire and was at least, extremely wealthy. No wonder about that because from all accounts he was as unscrupulous as he was wealthy, as tricky as he was stingy, and always willing to take the long end of any profits no matter how he obtained it.

It did not take long for a couple of clever bunco operators like Duboise and Chito—an appropriate name for a bunc—to get wise to the attainments as well as the failings of Mr. Dondi. Neither did it take long for Chito to gain the acquaintance and likewise the confidence of Mr. Dondi, and the stage was set for the famous box game. The plays of the box game will be remembered. One con man gains the confidence of the sucker and quite by accident—as it were—they meet the other con man, who is acting superbly, the role of the crazy man from Alaska. The crazy man takes the other bunc and the sucker into his confidence because they are of his nationality and tells them that his father left him \$100,000 to divide among the poor people and that, in accordance with his father's last wishes he must obtain the services of a priest or two honest countrymen to do this philanthropy and then reward them richly for their trouble. Of course, to show their good faith, each, the other bunc and the sucker,

must place a large sum of money in an iron strong box with the crazy man's \$100,000. And, of course, at this point, a phony roll is slipped into the iron box, which is locked and intrusted to the care of the sucker, flattering his vanity until he later becomes suspicious of the growing absence of his two new friends and opens the box to discover he has been swindled, bamboozled and flim-flammed.

The Dondi case had reached the point where Duboise, playing the role of the crazy man from Alaska, had announced his intention of intrusting to Dondi and Chito, the other bunc, the \$100,000 to be divided among the poor, when Dondi's unscrupulous mind began to ferret what he innocently thought was a cinch.

Dondi could hardly wait until the alleged crazy man from Alaska was out of sight before he confided to Chito, his new found friend, that as soon as the \$100,000 was intrusted to them they would split it fifty-fifty and let the worthy poor go hang.



Sergeant Thomas Hoertkorn
and Detective Morris Harris

"What!" cried Chito, with a darn good imitation of being shocked, "Do you think I would betray a confidence and become dishonest! Why, you must be fooling. If you mean't that I am ashamed of you and want nothing more to do with you. I am an honest man!"

Dondi sheepishly chortled that he was only jesting when he suggested such a thing and the incident so impressed him with Chito's apparent honesty and integrity that he was easy prey for Chito and Duboise and they had little or no trouble in finally relieving him of \$7700 of the hoarded roll that Dondi had corralled by hook and crook.

Hoertkorn declares that it was not until Dondi was shown the rogues' gallery picture of Chito that he believed that smooth and polished criminal was dishonest. The con man's psychology had so completely disarmed him that he could see Chito in no other light than that of a shining example of integrity and virtue.

Some of the many bunco games cannot be played on a thoroughly upright and honest man, according to Hoertkorn. There are several bunco games that can be played only when the sucker is found to be an unscrupulous fellow out to get money no matter how. One of these is the match game, or "Match trick" which is no more than the old "nigger in the woodpile" deception of "heads I win and tails you lose."

The principals of this trick work as follows: Con Man No. 1 picks up a likely looking sucker in a park and they become engaged in conversation.

Con Man No. 2, appears dressed like a rube and carrying a carpet bag. He addresses them in a loud voice asking questions about the park and then tells them innocently that he has just come in to see the sights, brought \$5000 with him and had been swindled the day before by a couple of slickers of \$1000.

"By cracky", Con Man No. 2 tells them in his rube dialect, "them fellers sure were slickers. Played a game called heads I win and tails you lose and every dern flip of the coin I lost. What's them flowers over there—"

And Con Man No. 2 departs a few steps away to examine a particular growth. Nine times out of ten, Con men tell Hoertkorn, the sucker will suggest to Con Man No. 1 that they take the rube on for a little game. However, if the suggestion is not forthcoming from the sucker, Con Man No. 1 broaches it himself, suggesting that some one will trim the rube and it might as well be them. Nine times out of ten the suckers assent. Then Con Man No. 1 quickly suggests that they get the rube in a coin matching game and one of them will always hold heads while the other holds tails and in that way the rube will be bound to lose every time to either and when finally cleaned they will split the proceeds. They call back the erstwhile rube and the game begins. Of course, Con Man No. 1 wins all the supposed rube's money and the sucker's as well, but the sucker does not care because he knows he is going to get a split of the proceeds afterwards.

Finally, the rube announces that he is cleaned and angrily declares that he believes the pair, meaning his confederate, Con Man No. 1 and the sucker are in league. He threatens them with arrest and storms and shouts. Con Man No. 1, quickly whispers to the sucker that they will beat it in different directions and meet at a certain place. The sucker, glad to escape the unpleasant affair, darts away. Of course he never sees Con Man No. 1 again. The gent and Con Man No. 2, alias the rube, divide the spoils.

The wallet game is another game where the sucker had to be the least bit unscrupulous in order to get stung. Hoertkorn says this game originates from the Spanish or Mexican bunco men and was played here on several occasions. Hoertkorn captured the team that was working it and after that there were no more kicks.

The wallet game presents elements that have the making of a good custard pie comedy. It is played by two bunco men working on a sucker. No. 1 picks up the sucker and they walk along the street. Suddenly No. 1 picks up a wallet, appearing to have found it. It is bulging with money. It is proposed that they go into an alley and divide the money.

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Mayor Rolph and His Administration

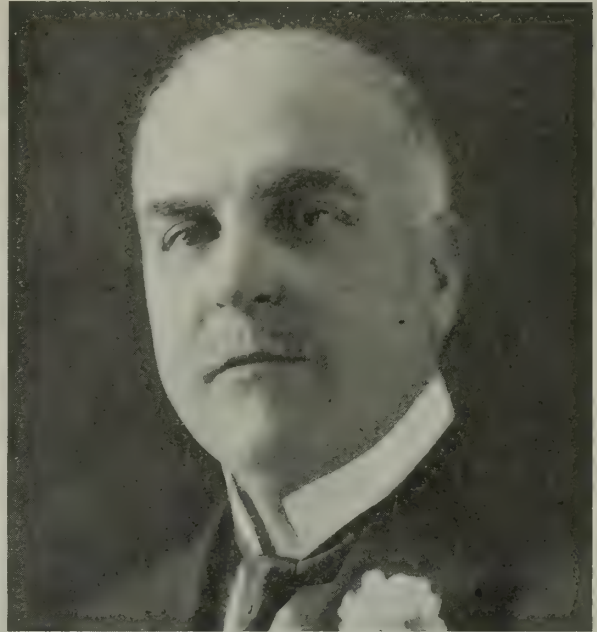
There are two distinct types of individuals in this world—the constructionist and the obstructionist. The constructionist is one who seeks to build up, to create, to make the world a better place in which to live; the obstructionist, on the other hand, is one who would tear down, destroy, take away that which tends to elevate a community and to give it prestige among other communities of the Nation.

James Rolph, Jr., for the past twelve years the honored Mayor of San Francisco, is essentially a constructionist. He is for things, not against things; he believes that the people of this city have pride and that they are willing to back up their faith in the present and future greatness of this Pacific Coast metropolis.

Great public works, created or carried out during the administration of Mayor Rolph, and under his immediate direction, form an imposing list, one which should awaken a thrill of pride and gratification in the heart of every true San Franciscan. Volumes would be required adequately to treat of these civic accomplishments, which here can be merely mentioned, in the briefest possible way, as follows:

The \$45,000,000 Hetch Hetchy Water Project, which will furnish sufficient water for a city of 4,000,000 inhabitants, and besides create millions of dollars in electric energy; the Municipal Railways, with 68 miles of track, a going, money-making concern; the Civic Center, finest on earth, with its magnificent City Hall, Auditorium, Public Library and State Building; Twin Peaks and Stockton Street tunnels; the High Pressure Fire Protection System; a school building program of \$21,000,000, besides a new \$2,000,000 Relief Home for the city's poor and indigent; a \$7,000,000 sewer system; more than \$20,000,000 in magnificent streets and boulevards; sixty-five acres of public playgrounds, whereas in 1912 we had but 15

acres; Municipal Golf Links in Lincoln Park, and Merced Golf Links; the largest outdoor swimming tank in the world; the Ocean Beach Esplanade; the Aquatic Park, now under construction; the



HON. JAMES ROLPH, JR.
Our Past, Present and Future Mayor.

San Francisco Hospital, one of the finest in America, and an Emergency Hospital System after which dozens of other cities have copied.

Throughout his administration, during which hundreds of millions of dollars of the people's money has been handled, there has never been a suspicion of graft directed against Mayor Rolph or those officials serving under him. Today, by public demand, he is again a candidate for the high office he has graced for twelve years past, and it is predicted that the voters this time will give him the greatest majority in his public career.

INTERNATIONAL CROOK KILLED

Gabriel Alphonse Mouray, international crook, known under several aliases, and in San Francisco as Henry Boilat, is dead. He was killed while resisting arrest in Paris, his native city, on October 3, thus ending the career of one of the most notorious and successful as well as spectacular criminals of recent years.

Mouray, on April 2, 1922, while employed as a butler, planned and robbed the mansion of Albert R. Shattuck, millionaire, in New York. With two other men he seized the Shattuck family and other servants, locked them in the basement of their pa-

latial home and succeeded in carrying away nearly \$100,000 worth of jewelry. Two of the men were arrested but Mouray escaped, and then followed a chase which led into three continents.

After this sensational robbery Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien was notified by Police Commissioner Richard E. Enright, of New York City, and he assigned Detective Sergeant Frank McGrayan, who had arrested Mouray some time previously in connection with the robbing of a poker game in Broadway.

Following his successful fight in this case Mou-

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Civil Service Secrets

By IVAN N. MAROEVICH, Well Known Attorney, Who Gives Interesting Details of Test for Police Officer. Other Articles Will Follow.



Ivan N. Maroevich

Supplementing last month's article on Civil Service Secrets, your writer will endeavor to acquaint you with a few of the salient facts and figures concerning examinations conducted for promotion from the rank of policeman to corporal.

On the last examination which was held for the foregoing promotion on August 9th, 1923, approximately three hundred and seven applicants participated. This large number, taking merely one of the Civil Service tests, will give you an adequate idea of the enormous work being conducted by the Civil Service Commission and the efficiency of this department.

Each applicant is presented with a list of explanations and instructions before the commencement of the examinations and asked to read them carefully and correctly for his own benefit. There are twelve tests given and each test contains more work than the participants are expected to answer. The purpose of this is to give the candidates an opportunity to show all they can accomplish of each test within the allotted time. Each test is rated separately and as in the case of examinations conducted for policemen, the candidate having the most excellent paper on a certain test will receive the perfect mark (100) on such test, and the other papers will be rated in accordance with the criterion established.

The approximate time allowed for each of the twelve tests is as follows:

Arithmetic: eighteen minutes; Word knowledge, two and one-half minutes; Sentence Knowledge, two minutes; Spelling, two minutes; Penmanship, seven minutes; Knowledge of the City, six minutes; Penal Code, eleven minutes; Rules of Evidence, two minutes; Police Rules, two and one-half minutes; Police and Fire Ordinances, two minutes; Traffic Laws, two minutes; Military Tactics, three minutes.

The questions in all the tests of the examinations must be answered in their order, as numbered, and the skipping of a question will entail the loss of one quarter of the credits allowed for the correct answer. Each error in answering a question will cause the loss of one-half the credits allowed for the correct answer.

The subject and weights on a scale of 100; Relative Capacity, 20; Knowledge of Laws and Duties, 50; Seniority of Service, 15; Meritorious Public Service, 15.

The following questions were those asked at the last examination for promotion to Corporal, held on August 9th, 1923, of which a few of the questions are set forth because I am constrained by lack of space to set forth all of them.

The first test that the applicant must deal with is Arithmetic. Sixteen questions in this branch were asked, of which the following are a few examples:

Arithmetic

A watch that loses $\frac{1}{2}$ minute per day, loses how many seconds per hour?

A chimney casts a shadow 120 ft. long when a post 4 ft. high casts a shadow 6 ft. long. How tall is the chimney?

How much money must you have in a bank at 4% interest to receive \$100 each year as interest?

If the distance from San Francisco to Sacramento is 130 miles, at what time would you arrive at Sacramento if you started by automobile from San Francisco at 8 A. M., averaging 20 miles an hour while in motion, took 45 minutes for lunch and lost $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours because of breakdowns?

In taking food for a camping trip, hunters count on $2\frac{1}{8}$ lbs. per man per day for a trip and $2\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. per man per day for a winter trip:—

(a) How much less is the weight for four men for an eight-day trip in the summer than it is in the winter?

(b) What per cent is the weight of a summer trip of the weight for a winter trip, the number of men and the length of the trip being the same?

Word Knowledge


Then follows the test on word knowledge, wherein you are asked to draw a line under the opposite or nearly opposite of the top word of the list. Forty questions were given.

CLOTHE	HARMONY	REFRESHING	FLUCTUATING
wool	procession	irksome	fickle
cotton	dissension	shirk	steady
strip	retention	murky	oscillate
shingle	conclusion	careless	waves
BROKEN	DWINDLE	ACTUAL	FREQUENTLY
health	augment	situation	casually
intact	diminish	improve	repeatedly
damage	resources	duplicate	rarely
new	stretch	imaginary	always

Sentence Knowledge

In this test you are asked to underline one of the words in the parentheses at the right of each

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NATIONAL BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION

By CHIEF OF POLICE DANIEL J. O'BRIEN

On September 17th of this year I left San Francisco for Washington, D. C., at the request of Harry M. Daugherty, Attorney General of the United States, and William J. Burns, Director of the Department of Justice. My call to Washington dealt with the establishment of a National Bureau of Criminal Identification and Police Information.

As a matter of fact my last visit to Washington was the culmination of strenuous efforts made during the past three years to bring about the establishment of the bureau mentioned. The organization known as The International Association of Chiefs of Police has been in existence for some thirty years. For many years back this International Association of Chiefs of Police endeavored

transfer all records of the Bureau just mentioned to the federal government if the latter would operate, enlarge and improve said bureau. Pursuant to said resolution many meetings were held during the year 1922, but nothing was accomplished. During the month of June of this year, while I was in Washington, D. C., I discussed the transfer of said bureau with His Excellency, the late President of the United States, the Director of the Department of Justice, and other federal officials. I made a strong plea for unity among all police officers (both state and federal) and at the convention held at Buffalo, during the month of June the matter was fully discussed with the result that a committee was appointed to work the Board of Governors of the former Bureau of Identification for the purpose of effecting the transfer mentioned. It was appointed a member



HEADS OF BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION

Left to Right: Chief J. M. Quigley, Rochester; Chief W. P. Rutledge, Detroit; Col. E. W. Starling, U. S. Secret Service; Chief Daniel J. O'Brien; Chief W. H. Moran, U. S. Secret Service; Chief J. A. Curry, Niagara Falls.—(Photo by International)

to establish an efficient and up-to-date bureau for the purpose of supplying its members with data on crime and criminals. It was found, however, that the bureau could not be efficiently operated because of the lack of funds. Many efforts have been made to get the bureau established under the Federal government, but it appears that until recently very little success was met with.

It was at the Convention of the International Association of Chiefs of Police held in this city that the first concrete step was taken toward the establishment of the bureau under federal supervision. A resolution was there adopted empowering the Board of Governors of the Bureau of Identification operated by the Chief's Association to

of the committee mentioned and since that time I have put forth every effort to bring about the object of my appointment.

Many details may be discussed in relation to the establishment of this bureau which I believe are unnecessary at this time. All I wish to state is that the aspirations and wishes of American police officers for the past twenty years have been finally realized as the bureau mentioned is now a going concern, having at its disposal some 138,000 records transferred to it by the old bureau formerly operated by the Police Chiefs' Association. Henceforth, the new bureau will be known and designated as "The Division of Criminal Identifi-

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Police Athletic Class Honored

Members of the Athletic Class were signally honored September 17, 1923, on the evening of the Chief's departure for Washington, D. C., where he was called by Attorney-General Daugherty for a conference on the feasibility of establishing an international criminal identification bureau; a pet progressive measure of the Chief's.

The occasion was the presentation of the medals, diplomas and trophies won by the different teams of the class in athletics, life saving and first aid, in various contests. The event was an impressive one for these young men, the recruits

to the men by the Chief, and to each man he gave a hearty hand clasp and a few words of commendation and encouragement.

He then called on Captain Quinn who is in charge of the Athletic Class, who spoke briefly, but to the point, on the benefits to be derived from the course and what was to be done in the future in the athletic field.

Officer Thomas Marlowe, winner of the athletic contest of the first class, was presented with a beautiful seven pointed gold star encircled by a garland; the medal was suitably inscribed and was



Chief O'Brien seated front left; Captain Quinn back; Sergeant Patrick McGee right; Officer Marlowe next, and Members of Class.

of the department, and no doubt will have a distinct bearing on their future.

The Chief addressed them in his usual happy vein, telling them how proud he was of them, speaking of his own early struggles in the department and advising them as to their conduct as police officers to the end that they might reflect credit on their superiors and the department.

The Chief has the knack of making every person in his audience believe he is talking personally to the individual, and the teams were duly impressed.

The medals, diplomas and trophies were handed

pinned on Marlowe's breast by the Chief.

Officers Edward Dathe, Fred Nuttman, George Wafer, Edward Murphy, George Page, Ralph Anderson, Jerome Argenti, George Hess and Earl Campbell were presented with Red Cross certificates and emblems to be worn on their bathing suits, they having qualified as life savers.

Sergeant McGee, officers Edward Dathe, John Kelley, Wm. McRae and Thomas Price received trophies from the Society of Safety Engineers of America for having taken part in the First Aid Contest at Sacramento, California, September 3, 1923.

Captain Henry J. O'Day

Commander of Potrero Station Was Former Baseball Star, and Has Made an Excellent Record in the Police Department

Captain Henry J. O'Day in command of the Potrero district glories in the fact that he was born South of Market street in the days when a lot of our prominent citizens got their start in that section of the city.

He entered the department on January 2, 1896, and was assigned to the Southern Station then under command of Captain John Spillane. His first beat was on Third street from Market to Folsom, and he had as partners Captain John O'Meara and the late Sergeant Tom Ryan. In those days that was a beat that allowed of no time to pick wild flowers. The wagon was on the go all night long and the loads they carried were not put on until the officers knew that they had been working.

In 1903 he was made a corporal, and a few months later a sergeant, and in 1906, October 18, he was appointed a lieutenant. In these different ranks he served in the Central district, Harbor and Bush, serving for four years in the Harbor district as lieutenant.

January 30, 1910, he was elevated to a captaincy, and as captain served in all stations but the Mission, and for six years has been attached to the Potrero district.

During the war he had as tough a job as any captain in the city, handling the thousands of men working in the Bethlehem steel works. Over 11,000 men a day were handled over one car line, and so well was the police supervision that there was not an argument, accident or mishap of any kind during the many months this work kept up.

Charles Schwab and Joseph Tynan of the Union Iron Works plant wrote the late Chief D. A. White commending the work of Captain O'Day and his men.

Before entering the police department Captain O'Day was a professional baseball player.

After playing second base with the Champion Clipper team, he became a professional in 1886 and received the title of "Boy Wonder" during that year while playing second base for the California Club, Coast League, classed by Charley Sweeney, Dave Foutz, Jimmy Fogarty and others as the greatest second-baseman in the county at that time. He was offered contracts for 1887 to play second base for Boston, Philadelphia and Washington, D. C.

Played second base for the Sacramento Club of the California League in 1887, 1889 and 1891. Played shortstop for Minneapolis, season 1890. In 1888 played second base for the champion

Stockton team of the California League, and was the only player to play every game.

In 1892 was manager and second-baseman for the Rock Island, Illinois, team, champion Illinois, Indiana and Iowa League.

In 1893 played second base for the Kansas City Missouri team in the American Association.

Captain O'Day still keeps in close touch with the ball players and knows a lot about the doings of stars in all leagues.

He looks back on the eight years he played professional ball with great pleasure, and says there is no sport that compares with this kind of American amusement. He has gone East on numerous occasions to take in the world series and is always on hand at the local park when there is a big contest on.

The small boys who utilize the many places in the Potrero to practice up on baseball have a staunch friend in the Captain, who often stops and tells them how he used to do it when he was tossing the horsehide around for a living.

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cation and Police Information—Department of Justice" and located at Washington, D. C.

To my mind this bureau will revolutionize the police activities of this nation. It will be the clearing house where every police department—large and small—will secure information regarding crime, criminals, lost, stolen, pledged, pawned, recovered and unrecovered property. Wireless stations will be used for the transmitting and receiving of information and every police department will be requested to send complete information regarding crime. Personally, I am well satisfied with what has been accomplished as I am a firm believer in close co-operation between peace officers. Our experience in police life has demonstrated that the holdup man, thug and bandit are well organized; that their ramifications extend to many states and it is only by such a central clearing house that we can pursue our mission of suppressing their criminal activities.

Officer William Porter who has been assigned as a bailiff in Judge Sylvester McAtee's department of the police courts, says he may not have the heart of a lion, but he can sure roust a dock hound with any of them. Bill took the place made vacant by the elevating to Corporal John Quinlan, who is now parading a sector in the Central district. Bailiff George Healy in this court, says he was afraid he would not get as good a pal as Quinlan, but says Porter has made the grade.



DETECTIVE BUREAU

CAPTAIN OF DETECTIVES DUNCAN MATHESON *in Charge*

STATE'S GUN LAW

California's new firearms law, aimed particularly at gunmen and automobile bandits, is now effective.

The bill, sponsored in the legislature by Assemblyman Fred C. Hawes of San Francisco, regulates the possession, sale and use of pistols, revolvers and other firearms capable of being concealed on the person.

While permitting law-abiding citizens to continue to own firearms for home defense and other legitimate purposes, the law provides drastic penalties for the use of guns by criminals.

It makes possession of firearms in the commission of a crime punishable by additional sentences on a sliding scale. The first time a bandit is convicted of robbery with a gun, he will be given an added penalty of from five to ten years in prison; the second time from ten to fifteen years; the third from fifteen to twenty-five years, and the fourth time, life imprisonment.

Ample protection is offered under the law, Hawes pointed out, not only to peace officers but to householders and persons using firearms for competition or hunting and for legitimate self-defense on outing trips.

One of the act's best features is the provision for installing a uniform licensing system for carrying firearms. Licenses now in existence will become inoperative on December 31, 1924.

All retail dealers must be licensed and they must keep a duplicate record of sales of all firearms with less than a twelve-inch barrel. Display of weapons in the windows of stores is prohibited. Minors under 18 cannot purchase firearms.

That the new law will result in decreasing robberies, suicides and homicides was the statement made by Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson. He said that it would do much toward putting a stop to the activities of armed holdup men.

He added:

"It has always been too easy in California to get firearms, but the Hawes bill is a corrective measure. If properly enforced, it is going to make it much more difficult to carry firearms.

"Seventy-five per cent of homicides are committed with revolvers or pistols. In 1921, statistics show that there were 9,000 mur-

ders in the United States, of which 6,500 were committed with firearms.

"Persons using guns are potential murderers and are not entitled to probation, suspended sentences or the slightest leniency by the courts. And the new law will do away with any probation or suspended sentences for gunmen.

"It is no longer safe to drive along country highways because of auto bandits, who constitute one of the worst types of criminals. Their depredations have become a serious national menace, and if they can be legally disarmed, their dangerousness is much lessened."

Orders warning retail and second-hand dealers of the new law's provisions will be issued this week by Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien, it was announced.



AUTO DETAIL



The automobile detail of a police department is generally one of the most important units of the organization, because the men assigned to watch out for automobile thieves are dealing with a class of criminals who inflict heavier loss and cause more inconvenience than any other crook.

The pickpocket takes a wallet or a pocketbook filled with various sums of money, scarcely ever above a few hundred dollars; the bunco man makes a richer strike when he "takes" a victim, his reward sometimes going into the thousands of dollars; the burglar gets away with a few hundred dollars' worth of loot, and the robber on the highways generally gets but small pay for the chances he takes and the penalty he has to suffer if caught; but all these thieves are not so numerous as the auto thief. He is ever on the job somewhere, and when he takes a man's car he is driving away with from \$1000 to \$3000 worth of property, and he causes the loser much inconvenience.

Therefore the automobile detail is composed of a class of men who by training become adept in "spotting" a stolen car.

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State Peace Officers Meet

Declaring that the menace to the automobile driver on the state highways had become so serious that the state legislature must take notice of it and provide for proper patrolling of all roads in the State, from San Diego to Eureka and cross-ways, the members of the California State Peace Officers, in session in Oakland, October 3, passed resolutions calling for the appointment of three sheriffs and three chiefs of police to draft a new section of the state laws to provide for the patrolling of deputy sheriffs, working under the direction of the state motor vehicle bureau, whose duty it will be to protect travellers, apprehend highway robbers, assist in recovering stolen automobiles and dealing exclusively with felony charges. These men will work independent but in harmony with the 200 or more state traffic officers who are now patrolling the highways to regulate traffic and enforce traffic laws.

Speakers pointed out that the crook is now finding rich fields along the highways for holding up automobile parties, and that the chances of escape offered by so many roads and lack of police protection has taken many of this class of crook out of cities where the police are numerous and active.

A bill will be introduced at the next session of the legislature providing for the appointment of the shot gun squads throughout the state.

The meeting was called to order by Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien, who made a detailed report to the fifty or more chiefs of police, captains of detectives, traffic captains and sheriffs from all parts of California, and the meeting of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, and of the recent installation after three years campaign of the National Bureau of Criminal Identification in Washington, D. C.

After the routing of business was concluded officers for the coming year were elected, as follows:

Sheriff Frank Barnett, of Alameda, president.

Chief of Police James Drew of Oakland, vice.

Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson of San Francisco treasurer and secretary.

Law and Legislative Committee, Chief of Police O'Brien, Sheriff Barnett, Chief Bernard McShane of Sacramento, Captain Matheson, Chief Court Smith of Visalia, Sheriff John Boyle of Santa Rosa, Sheriff C. E. Hunt of El Dorado, Chief August Vollmer of Los Angeles, Chief James Patrick of San Diego.

It was announced that the law and legislative committee did not lose a bill presented at the last legislature nor were any passed that they opposed,

and they were on the job all the time, as many of the new laws enacted will attest.

The association will also seek to repeal parts of the new Motor Laws at the coming legislature if they are not declared unconstitutional. Sheriff Robson of Nevada county announced he was going to test some of the sections, especially that which prevents a peace officer from putting in jail any violators. It was pointed out that under the provisions of the law as it now stands a man may be going 75 miles an hour on any street or highway in the state and he could not be locked up, simply given a tag and told to show up in five days. If the man happened to be a criminal fleeing from the scene of a crime the police declare they are put at a disadvantage.

Sheriff Bill Traeger of Los Angeles told the members that he was going to work for a new law to make it possible to prosecute a criminal when he makes false alibis, as well as for perjured testimony given by a defendant; in this he was backed up by District Attorney Ezra Decoto of Alameda county who was invited to the meeting.

Cases were cited where defendants had put up such a plausible alibi or had by perjured testimony convinced a jury they were innocent but with more time the officials could find the alibi was false and the evidence as unreliable but the prisoner was free and could not be detained.

Captain Henry Gleeson pointed out the defects of the new motor laws and showed how the police were hampered in a great many ways in regulating motor traffic.

It was decided that from now until January the members of the association will begin preparing their data on crooks of all kinds to be sent to the new bureau in Washington. It is estimated that by that time every official will be ready and the records from this state will reach there about the middle of January.

The Oakland members entertained the visiting delegates at a banquet in the Hotel Oakland between sessions at this occasion Frank Colburn, police commissioner of Oakland was a guest.

Sergeant Charles Dullea and Detective Sergeant Phillip Lindecker this month arrested two 17 year old boys on Powell street in a stolen car from Stockton. They were locked up, a check made on their rooms and later they confessed that they had stolen half a dozen automobiles, committed three burglaries in Redwood City, also burglaries in Stockton, Oakland, Sacramento and other California cities. Sheriff Lampkin of Redwood City and Chief Collins came up and took back all the loot recovered and the boys will face charges in that county before they get through with the trouble they stirred up for themselves.

Athletes of Our Department

By EVELYN WELLS.....Fourth of Series of Stories Dealing with San Francisco Policemen in Field of Sport.
Another Will Appear in Next Issue.

Detective Sergeant Nick Barron, assigned to the automobile detail was, before he entered the police department, a champion Marathon runner. He won the championship of Ireland in one of the hardest contested races ever known in that country. It was for one mile, and Nick won the race.

His Irish friends sent him over to England to compete with the speediest distance runners in



Evelyn Wells

Great Britain, and Nick beat them all. The closest they ever got to Nick was at the start, for after he once left the tape he was away off by himself. Nick has demonstrated many times since he has been a policeman that he still has much of his fleetness left, as a number of the bad eggs can testify after trying to give him the "ditch."

Walter Levy, the handsome mounted officer who draws many a glance from the fair ones along Market street, was some football player in his younger days. He was a fullback and one of the hardest line-buckers that the game has ever developed in this section. He was a member of the old Company H eleven most of the time, though his services were sought by teams all over the country. The most noted game he participated in was the game between Compnay H and the Vallejo Snowballs back in the late '90s. In this game Walter was the particular star, and the old-timers who saw that game at the park at the corner of 16th and Folsom streets will remember it and that it was the stellar work of Levy which won for the soldier boys by the score of 6 to 0. It was one of the most gruelling contests ever held in this city, where many a hard fought game has been held, and by winning it the Company H team won the championship of the State.

Another runner of note in the department is

Sergeant Grover Coates assigned to the North End station. He was a 100-yard man, and in 1915 during the exposition won the 100-yard dash between the firemen and the police department, making the time 11 flat, without any preliminary training. He has surprised many a youth who sought to evade him by taking to his heels, for he could keep stepping even after the 100 yards was covered.

Patrolman Ed Mitchell of the Bush district was a star in the six-day bicycle racing game when that sport flourished. He was a winner in many contests and competed on tracks all over the country.

Jeremiah Coughlin, patrolman of the Southern Station, was another long distance bike rider and raced in many cities on the Pacific Coast, winning more than a majority of his races.

Sergeant Robert Morton of the Harbor Station was a noted middleweight boxer in his younger days and he cleaned up on most all the fighters of his class. He gave up the game and entered the department in 1897. He has found the experience he obtained in the ring of great advantage in many an emergency, and he has always resorted to the tricks he learned to subdue an unwilling prisoner.

James Mackey, detective sergeant, was, before he joined the department, one of the best acrobats in this country, and played the circuses from one end of the country to the other. He was also good on the trapeze and was a buck and wing dancer that knew his business. He also traveled over many vaudeville circuits and always had plenty of work, when either a single or when he doubled with some other performer.

Sergeant Charles Sheble 20 years ago was one of the fastest runners on the coast. He has a roomful of medals which he won mostly at Shellmound park. Those who saw him do his stuff in those days say he was as fast as greased lightning. Besides being a fast runner he was a swimmer of no little ability. He gave up these sports when he entered the department, but every once in a while he bumps into some of the boys out in the Mission where he is detailed, and they talk of the times that were.

Captain Al Wright of the Bush district says if Jack Ryan don't put that shingle on the front of the Bush street station before the rainy season sets in we won't vote for him for vice president of the Widows' and Orphans' Association. Officer Pete Whalen, Jack's handy man, says he knows where there is a shingle that will fit in where the one "ain't" on the station.

Police and District Attorney

Every department of the city government gets all the assistance needed from the police organization, but there is one branch of the municipality that there is a closer bond than any other, and that is the office of district attorney.

For District Attorney Matthew Brady is the legal adviser of the police department, and in turn the police department is the advisor of Judge Brady and his staff in the matter of presenting evidence against men and women arrested for crime.

It is on the police he must depend for his evidence and testimony, and investigation on any criminal act committed within the city.

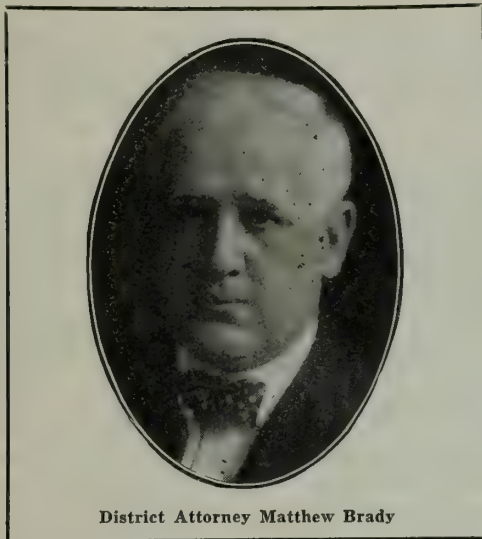
The police in turn must depend on him as to what is legal and what is not. He must defend

the police courts, coroner's office and juvenile court.

When occasion arises Chief O'Brien details as many additional men on special cases as the district attorney's office may need and to assure the full amount of co-operation has always allowed Judge Brady to select the men he desired.

It is necessary in some murder cases to have a half dozen or more men run down clews, seek out evidence and assist the deputy district attorneys in preparing and presenting cases in both lower and higher courts, and in this matter the chief has always exercised the greatest of liberality.

Considering the fact that the district attorney with his limited staff of a few over a score of men and women has to handle the cases of the combined membership of some 1000 or more policemen, the two departments get along in a harmonious manner and among the personnel of both branches of the city government there is a spirit of understanding that allows but few crooks to escape their just dues.



District Attorney Matthew Brady

the department in civil suits, actions growing out of property taken as evidence, for identification, or to be held pending an investigation, as well as damage actions.

The civil suits that Judge Brady has to handle and which are mostly taken care of by Judge Isadore Golden, Edward Hansen and Robert Fitzgerald, deputies in the office, total about 25 a year, and so far there is no record of a losing contest.

There is assigned by Chief O'Brien four regular men, who are called from various companies and report for roll call at the detective bureau. These men are Detectives Joseph Brodt, Harry Riley, John Pearson and Bert Wren. This quartet handles the service of subpoenas, attend to routine police work connected with the district attorney's office, make necessary investigation of cases, and assist in amassing evidence in the many criminal actions of the three superior courts as well as in

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ray went East, obtained a position as butler in the Shattuck home and proceeded to plan this master job.

When McGrayan was detailed on the case he proceeded to make connections with many of the former associates of Mouray, and finally found that after the New York job he went to Paris, but finding he was posted there for draft evasion he fled to Mexico, and he got out of that country but a few days before information sent by McGrayan reached the Mexican authorities.

While in this city Mouray had a French woman with him, a denizen of the underworld, and in the course of time McGrayan succeeded in getting trace of her. He found Mouray had deserted her for another companion, and that she had come west. He finally located her in this city at an address on Duboce avenue. When the sergeant got through with her she had informed him that Mouray had presented her with a diamond set wrist watch worth \$75.00. She produced this watch which she said she did not want if it was stolen property and on comparing it with the list of stolen watches McGrayan found it was one stolen from the Shattuck residence. He shipped it to Enright who turned it over to the rightful owner.

Ducks In Golden Gate Park

By SERGEANT PATRICK MCGEE for Many Years in Charge of the Park Mounted Police Detail, and Who Knows This Great Playground as But Few Know It.



Sergeant
Patrick McGee

It is at this season the wild duck occupies as much space in the newspapers as football and golf, for now the mighty hunter is girding his loins and licking his chops in anticipation of bagging the limit. That it is a fine sport it attested by numerous devotees in all walks of life; but is it a sport?

Where it is necessary to procure food to sustain human life, the lower order of animal's must be sacrificed for that purpose; but when no such necessity exists it appears to all lovers of animals that the promiscuous taking of wild life is wanton slaughter.

The writer is not a sob sister and his blood is just as red as those that kill for the sake of killing; that he is not alone in this is shown by the number of societies organized for the protection of animals, wild and domestic, headed by some of the brightest minds in the country.

To get at what the writer is too dense to put properly before you, take a stroll through Golden Gate Park any morning early, and "awake your senses that you may be the better judge". Coming in from Haight and Stanyan Streets is a little pool called Alvord Lake, so named from a former mayor of San Francisco, Wm. Alvord. See that pretty duck colored like a child's toy swimming gracefully by? That's a Mandarin duck and with his numerous progeny makes a pretty setting for the little lake. What fine sport it must be to take a 10 bore shot gun and give him both barrels. What!

Let's cut over through the tennis court, passing the Bowling Green and de Laveaga Dell and make our way to Quarry Lake. My, what a chatter, a flock of coots, (mud hens) fighting over a choice tid bit that one of the gang has brought from the bottom of the lake. A bunch of fighters and grass destroyers, but palatable if properly prepared. See that stately greenhead swimming by as proud as a clipper ship; the princely Mallard seeking a nest for his dame for the spring family and attending strictly to his knitting. Film companies have made a great to-do about pictures they have made showing a clutch of newly hatched Mallards. In relating the difficulties to be overcome in obtaining these pictures, they tell of expeditions fitted out at great expense to go to the breeding grounds in the north, where in fever and mosquito infested swamps, the operator remains for weeks suffering hardships and then only obtaining fair results. Why such trou-

ble and expense, when they could come to the park, and as early as April see numerous broods of ducklings swimming around with the shells still clinging to them. Let us debouch to the main road and go west, passing to the rear of that imposing structure, the M. H. de Young Memorial (which if you enjoy fine marbles and beautiful oils, do not fail to visit) pass Memorial Lane where stands the Roosevelt Oak, planted by former President Taft, and where a tree from every state in the union is planted; keep going till you pass the Log Cabin and so come to Stow Lake. Here is the mecca of ducks for here nearly every duck born in the park eventually finds its way, and where at some season of the year, a species of every duck indigenous of California and its environs may be seen.

There's a fine shot for that prince of sportsmen, the pot hunter; swimming by in serried ranks comes the invader from the north, the Canada goose. He has found Stow Lake so much more to his liking than his native habitat that he has become a permanent resident. This pioneer is a real rara avis, for after having lived 27 years on Stow Lake she brought forth and raised a clutch of seven, which according to Audubon was unique, he having recorded only one case where a Canada goose was hatched in captivity and that egg was found in the wilds.

That bunch of pin tails setting out near the little island, sleeping, but wary, have been here for some little time, most of them probably born here and never a season goes by without a visit to the old home.

Can you hear them whistling? The little green winged Teal are now passing in review carrying their own band with them. Those bald pates are rather a troublesome lot prying into everybody's business, making a nuisance of himself generally, but withal a good natured buffoon.

We have not seen any canvas backs and we will not encounter any specimen of the Aythya Vallisneria till we come to the outer lakes, for the lordly can is one of the wariest birds of flight, and tales are told that after having been badly wounded he has dived to the bottom and grasping a reed in his mouth, has drowned. If the season be propitious, my lord Can may be seen as far in as Spreckels Lake, but only on rare occasions in any number. He sleeps all day if undisturbed and goes out to the bay during the night in search of food.

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The Durant Case--The Crime of the Century

By PETER FANNING, San Francisco Police Officer, Who Presents Second of a Series of Stories on this Celebrated Case.



Peter Fanning

The following morning after Durant's arrest, I was detailed for duty at the cell of Durant. This large cell faced the desk of Captain Stone, in the office of the City Prison, and had been assigned for the use of Durant so that watchful eyes might mark his every movement. A mattress, placed on

the floor in the innermost corner, with a few blankets spread on top, was the bed provided for his use. When I spoke to him I noticed that he was suffering the signs of inward agony, which were visible to all. His eyes worked nervously, the

He was aware that the circumstances appeared all against him, and he could not help but know that if not guilty nothing but a miracle seemingly could clear him from the gallows. His appearance then looked as if he was on the verge of a confession.

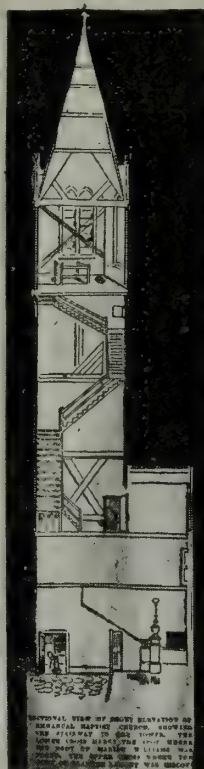
Durant had been interviewed by his captors; had been hooted at on the boat and pursued through the streets of the city by yelling crowds the night before, and all this was enough to make any man nervous. There were numerous crowds of people assembled outside of the prison, which was then on McAllister Street near Larkin. Among them were numbers of women, carrying bunches of flowers, and asking for admission to



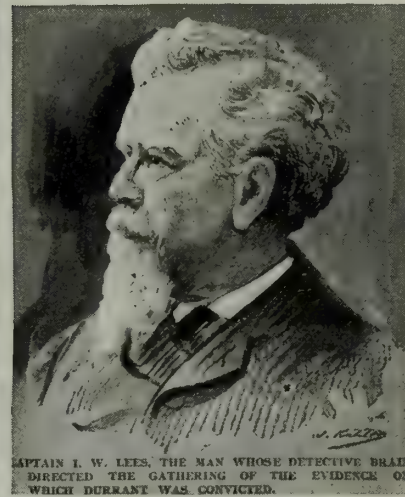
Assistant District Attorney Fremont.

District Attorney Bureau.

THE OFFICERS ON THE PROSECUTION.



SECTIONAL VIEW OF GREAT ELEVATION OF
CITY PRISON, SHOWING
THE ARRIVAL OF THE PRISONER
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CAPTAIN I. W. LEES, THE MAN WHOSE DETECTIVE BRAIN
DIRECTED THE GATHERING OF THE EVIDENCE ON
WHICH DURANT WAS CONVICTED.

muscles of his cheeks twisted—he shifted from one foot to another, and as he held on to the iron bars of his cell, he would bow his back as far out as his arms would permit. More than once when I spoke to him he would drop his head so that the cross-bars of iron would cover his eyes from me.

His father was among the first of the numerous visitors who called that morning. He shook hands through the bars with his imprisoned son. Later on he was joined by his attorney. Durant had been subsequently informed by his attorney of the evidence the police had accumulated against him, and of the unrelenting search for more.

see the young prisoner. There were several, who were impelled by curiosity, seeking admittance, but met with opposition from Captain Stone, who had ordered that only the friends and attorneys of the prisoner, and those entitled to the privileges of the jail should be allowed in the prison.

When Sergeant Wittman entered the prison that morning, he noticed a small box made of card board in the hallway. He picked it up, and found that it was addressed to Chief Crowley. Sergeant Wittman opened it, and found that in addition to a lady's glove, stained with red ink so

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CRIME PREVENTION

The announcement by Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien of the establishment of a crime prevention bureau within the department is the culmination of three years of studied effort on the part of the chief to reduce crime hazards in San Francisco.

Chief O'Brien has succeeded in educating various lines of business endeavor, commercial concerns, householders, and others as to what they should do to keep their properties from being burglarized and their employees robbed.

In these undertakings he has been supported by Mayor James Rolph, Jr., Police Commissioners Theodore Roche, Jesse B. Cook, Dr. Shumate and Andrew J. Mahony, as well as receiving the heartiest co-operation from the law abiding citizens.

Some three years ago the most dangerous menace that faced all large cities was the sudden appearance of the auto bandit, who beside following other lines of crime, specialized on payroll holdups. Instead of giving these gents a chance to get away with a long series of these holdups, Chief O'Brien proceeded to protect the men and concerns

that handled large sums of money. Those that had big payrolls to be taken from the bank, those that had large sums to take to the bank and the banks as well were advised through the commanders of the various districts that they could get ample police protection if they would set a fixed time for the transfer of moneys. Many firms saw the wisdom of taking advantage of this offer, and it is a matter of record that though billions of dollars have been convoyed by the police shotgun squads not a dollar has been lost by theft or any other way. Some men and firms who did not deem it necessary to call upon the police for assistance have from time to time suffered losses because they had no police escort.

Then the householder and tenant were advised what to do when they went away and left their homes untenanted. They were told to notify the police when they left and when they expected to return. The patrolman on the beat was required to give such places particular attention at all times, and house burglaries of places vacated for the time being were reduced to almost nothing.

Next the office building owners were given a course of rules to follow and since they put them into operation we hear nothing more of office building robberies.

Careless motorists leaving valuables in automobiles while the car was left standing on the street were told of the temptations offered to the casual as well as the hardened thief, and we don't hear of so many such thefts now.

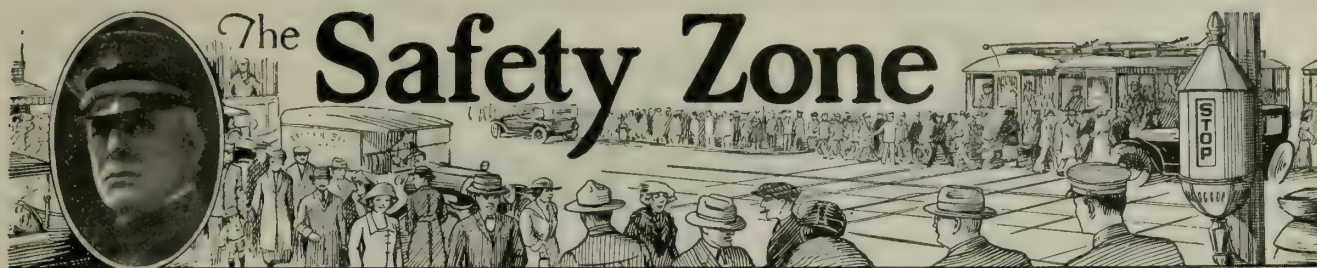
The police are now telling the business man to see that his skylights are properly barred, his back doors properly locked and barricaded, not to leave separate glass show cases in the lobby of the entrance of their place of business. The residential citizen is being told not to leave any door or windows unlocked when the premises are left with no one in charge, as many thieves will quit when they find it hard to gain admittance into a house.

The daily report on crime in San Francisco filed each morning in the chief's office will clearly show that the policy of preventing crime rather than to apprehending the criminal after the crime is working out, it shows that we are having less law breaking than any city of the size or larger in the country.

Appointed to the Board of Supervisors by Mayor James Rolph, Jr., two years ago, Supervisor Jesse C. Colman has made for himself an enviable record during that time on which he is basing his campaign for election to the board in November.

As chairman of the board's public welfare committee, Supervisor Colman has handled many big projects for the city during his term in office. He is a member of the police committee of the board and of the commercial and industrial development committee. He is prominent in fraternal orders, including the Elks and B'nai B'rith.

Supervisor Colman is a nephew of former Police Commissioner M. A. Gunst, one of the best friends the S. F. Police have ever had.



A page of interesting discussion of Traffic Laws and problems.

Readers of "Douglas 20" are requested to contribute.

Communications must be signed with full names and with address and contain not over 100 words.

Names of contributors will not be published unless requested.

Address communications, Captain Henry Gleeson, Safety Zone, Douglas 20, Police Department, San Francisco.

The law of hand signals, Section 130 of the California Vehicle Act.

The driver of any vehicle upon a public highway before starting, turning or stopping such vehicle shall first see that such movement can be made in safety, and if it cannot be made shall wait until it can be so made; then, if the operation of any other vehicle may reasonably be affected by such movement, the driver shall give a signal plainly visible to the driver of such other vehicle of the intention to make such movement. Such signal will be given by the use of the hand and arm in the manner hereinafter provided.

Whenever the signal is given by means of the hand and arm, the driver shall indicate his intention to turn to the left by extending his hand and arm horizontally from and beyond the left side of the vehicle, his intention to turn to the right by extending his hand and arm upward and beyond the left side of the vehicle, and his intention to stop or to suddenly decrease speed by extending his hand and arm downward from and beyond the left side of the vehicle.

The signal herein required to be given before turning to the right or left by means of the hand and arm, shall be given continuously during the last fifty feet traveled by the vehicle before turning.

The non-observance of this law by motor vehicle drivers is so prevalent and is the result of such numerous collisions between vehicles that it is well for all officers to be familiar with this law, and whenever possible instruct all persons seen to fail to give the proper hand signals on the necessity for such signals.

One has but to observe any street intersection to see that little attention is given, mostly by the drivers of commercial delivery vehicles to this law.

It would seem as if the drivers of these heavy commercial vehicles feel secure against collision and it is my observation that very few of these drivers give any signal at all of their intention to start, stop or turn.

It is also very noticeable that many business men operating touring cars do not give these signals.

When collisions take place, a dispute arises between the drivers interested and one or the other accuses the other of not giving the proper hand signal. It is usually the one who should have given the signal that accuses the other of not giving the signal and then the controversy begins as to who will pay the bills for the damages.

To endeavor to correct these collisions, where improper or too late signalling, the Motor Vehicle Act, states that a driver must not only give his signal correctly but that he must do so continuously during the last fifty feet before he commences to begin the contemplated move to turn to the right or left.

One would suppose that every driver would do this without question but it is found otherwise.

Signalling is as important in the interest of safety as is the rule and observance of the right of way law, and all officers should caution at every opportunity drivers who fail to give proper signals in the interest of the education of all concerned whether drivers or pedestrians.

Motor vehicle traffic has reached the stage of congestion in many districts; streets crowded with motor vehicles, cross each other in every police section and the failure of drivers to signal properly must be checked.

Last month a reference was made to the undetermined status of a reflecting light device for installation on the radiator of an automobile and known as a "Safe Light."

This lighting device has now been approved by the Superintendent of the Motor Vehicle Department and its use and sale has been declared legal.

It has also been determined that any number of lights of any kind, excepting a red light, may be shown on the front of any motor vehicle, whether such lights are reflecting lights or not.

It is noticed that there are a number of motor vehicles having red lights that show to the front, it is possible that the owners are not aware that such lights are illegal and will welcome being advised of such fact and of their own accord remove the same. But if there are any doubts, citation tags should be given by officers.



V. N. Bakulich, for many years assigned to the detective bureau, and who some years ago took a pension, has written his old friend, Auditor Tom Boyle, a letter from Spilt, Dalmatia, Yugoslavia, where he went with his wife to recuperate his health. He writes he is making splendid progress, but misses San Francisco where he lived for 42 years. He says the people of his former home in Dalmatia are unsettled as a result of the war and the low rate of exchange, none of the wonderful natural resources, such as coal, aluminum and hardwood forests are being worked because the rate is so low. However, he predicts ere long this condition will disappear and that the people of his native land will be enjoying prosperity. He asks to be remembered to his many friends in the police department.

Police Officer Franklin K. Lane of the Central station told Lieutenant John Casey that he was going to take a flying trip to Gin Flat early this month. The Lieut. said "any guy that goes to Gin Flat will have to make it flying."

Nevertheless Frank did make the trip and says he has made arrangements to challenge on behalf of the Gin Flat nine the Police baseball team. He says they have a pitcher up there that can throw a ball "crookeder" than the roads that lead up the mountain side.

Patrolman Martin J. Porter of the Central district was on October 2 detailed to the detective bureau, filling a vacancy made as a result of the shift in the bureau of identification. Porter has been in the Central district many years and has been a mighty active officer and should make good on his new assignment which he will assume when he returns from his vacation.

Detective Fogarty of the detective bureau arrested one of the meanest kind of thieves this month when he nabbed Ardino Bandiglia, a painter, robbing the poor-box at Saints Peter and Paul's church on Filbert street. Many reports had come to the detective bureau of poor-boxes being robbed, so Fogarty was detailed to get the miserable thief. He was at the church when he observed Bandiglia right up against the poor-box. He watched him. Pretty soon he saw the painter take a long piece of whalebone, put something on it and shove it into the poor-box as the congregation was kneeling in prayer. When he drew the whalebone out he had a string of nickles and dimes on it. Fogarty grabbed him, and on searching the prisoner found he had a bottle of glue, manufactured by the thief, which had such adhesiveness that as many as six nickles could be held on it at a time. Judge McAtee held the thief to answer on a charge of burglary.

Three youths, Lenar Sherck, Robert Mumm and Louis Jesmore pulled out a flask of "white mule" and offered a shot to Officer Victor Herbert of the Bush district the other night, and got the surprise of their lives when they were helped into the patrol wagon bound for the station where they were charged with violating the Wright Act. They were given thirty days' suspended sentence.

Sergeant Michael Mitchell of the auto detail more or less jealous of the publicity his brother Jim of the burglary

detail is getting as a result of his swimming endeavors has taken up aviation and says he would rather skim through the air than skim through the water. He has bought a pair of goggles and an aviator cap and intends to take a flight sometime this fall.

Herman Arentz, the massive bailiff in Judge Lile T. Jacks court says you don't find any grass on a busy street, when Bailiff Joe Shaughnessy refers to his lack of hirsute appendages.

Coroner T. B. W. Leland has conducted the affairs of his office so well that he never has any opposition at election time.

If you don't think those new Oldsmobiles are "spiffy" just drop into the headquarters of this popular automobile any day and give the new models the north and south.

Lieutenant Richard Foley of the North End station grabbed off a would-be robber the other day. He, with Peter Neilsen, Ed Kneally, Detective Sergeants George McLaughlin, Leo Bunner and Charles Dullea rounded up a couple of dudes who thought they would get some expense money by sticking up branches of the Mercantile Trust Company. One of the duo was a sap and was discharged, Judge McAtee held the other to answer.

Officer William Kearny of Corporal Pat Murray's posse in the business office returned last month from a much needed rest. He says he is now ready to buck into his arduous duties muchly refreshed and full of vim and vigor.

Special Duty Officers Jack O'Hara and Clark of the Ingleside went duck hunting the day the season opened and got enough of this game to feed the boys on their watch. They said the ducks were flying high but they smeared them off with their scatter guns.

Corporal Crofton was returning from his vacation, in his pulsating demon, accompanied by his family, dusty and dressed like true campers should be dressed. They were chugging along on Mission street at 25th when a jitney bus driver came buzzing past him and when in the middle of the block changed his mind and turned around. Crofton caused him to stop and kindly informed him that he was violating the traffic laws by turning in the middle of a block. The jit engineer in a sort of patronizing way replied, "well young feller, we don't do this down in the city but out here in the country it's all right!" Whereupon Mr. Crofton presented him with a tag that entitles the bearer to nod good morning to Captain Gleeson, and departed with this little ode: "I've been raised in the Mission, done police duty in the Mission and you or no other jit operator is going to get away with the idea that this is out in the country."

Detective Joe Brodt assigned to District Attorney Brady's office is one of the swellest dressers in the police department, his nearest rival being Detective Sergeant Tom Hyland, the silver tongued orator.

Corporal Nels S. Stohl, for many years a mounted traffic officer doing duty around Market, Mission, Jessie, Stevenson, Third and Montgomery streets before being appointed to his present rank, made many friends among people on his "beat." But he made none who appreciated his efforts to keep the narrow roadways between Market and Mission open so traffic, though only one way, could be kept moving, more than among the members of the Builders' Exchange on Jessie Street. So when Nels was transferred the members of the exchange bought him a swell new star, suitably engraved and asked Chief O'Brien to present it to the new Corporal, which he did last month.

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Mounted officer Arthur Dolan out on the ocean beach, left last week for his vacation up along the northern redwoods. He says he is going to get away from the salt water and if there is no city ordinance where he is going he will try and snag a few trout.

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The many friends of Patrolman James Bates, for many years bailiff in Police Court No. 4 will be sorry to hear of his death October 7. "Jimmie" as he was known to thousands throughout the city has for the past couple of years been at the North End station, and though for many months a sick man he has done crossing duty for the various schools of the district, where the kiddies always felt safe when Officer Jim was on the job. The sympathy of the entire department as well as the editor of this magazine who has had an intimate acquaintance with Officer Bates for nearly 15 years, goes out to the bereaved family. He was a fearless officer, a good friend, a good husband and father.

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The general office has a new addition. Miss Gertrude Reed, expert stenographer has been assigned to that department, and all the boys of the g. o. are slicking up their hair and looking all dressed up these days. Miss Reed was for some time with the civil service commission.

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Eighty-five women prominent in club life headed by Mrs. George W. Springer made a tour early this month under direction of Patrolman Peter Rafael Maloney of the city prison and county jail in the Hall of Justice. They were loud in their praises of the splendid condition of Sheriff Tom Finn's detentary as well as the bastille presided over by Chief O'Brien.

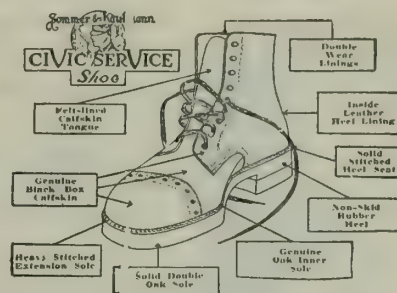
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Bailiff Tom Maloney in Judge Lazarus' court says he hopes his side kick Charley Bills shaves off his Charley Chaplin moustache before the women's court gets around to their department again.

POLICEMEN, ATTENTION!

At the last Civil Service Examination in San Francisco for Police Court Reporters, at \$250 per month, with extras, for life, Gallagher - Marsh Business College graduates, Walter E. Trefts and John F. Gallagher, were the only ones who passed and now occupy said positions; all graduates of other colleges who entered the contest failed. To verify this statement we refer to the records of San Francisco Civil Service Commission. Therefore, send your boys and girls or friends to Gallagher-Marsh, Turk and Van Ness Ave., for best results. All Police Court reporters recommend this college; ask them. Day School, \$15 per month; Night School, \$6.

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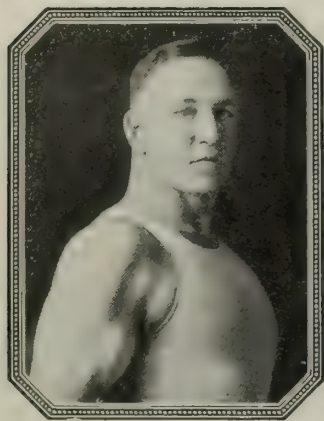


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Spend Your Sundays Out in the Open Air

Yell With the Boys, Climb a Tree, Do These Things That Anyone Will Do Who Is Young. By AL WILLIAMS



Al Williams

Most persons accept literally the idea that Sunday should be a day of rest.

In saying what I am about to say I don't wish anybody to misunderstand and think I am advising people to neglect their religious duties.

What to do about church is something that each of us must decide for himself.

But, after church hours, Sunday should be a day of play for those men who spend the other six days in offices and shops.

We all need fresh air and none of us can get too much of it. **GET OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET THE FRESH AIR.**

If you have a family take it to the beach or for a walk in the park.

If your family includes small children, romp and play with them.

FORGET YOUR DIGNITY FOR THE DAY. Laugh with the children. Expand your chest until it will stand no more expansion. Tell the children to do it, too.

THEY WILL THINK IT'S FUN. AND SO SHOULD YOU THINK SO. You will if you are healthy. If your children are half-grown, take them on a hike. We in San Francisco are very fortunate in having so near us a place like Marin county. I don't suppose there is another county in America that is so well suited for hiking.

Wonderful trails, wonderful climate, and yet, notwithstanding the large number of persons who hike in Marin every Sunday the number is small in proportion to our population.

Are Good Company on Hikes

If you haven't a family, go with a friend. Or, better still, get the son, or sons, of some friend to go with you.

Boys are the best companions on hikes. They run and jump and cut up, and make you feel like doing the same thing.

Don't take the longer trails to begin with. Find out which is a good, short trail and take that. Keep in mind always that what you're doing is play.

GUARD AGAINST OVERDOING.

If you start early take a lunch along. Take a good rest after you eat. Throw yourself back on the ground and stretch. Never mind the dirt.

Wear old clothes that dirt won't hurt and which you won't care about if you scrape or tear.

When you come to a hill or a mountain, climb it. "Take it slow" going up. But on the down grade "speed up." The jar at each footstep will loosen you up.

KEEP TAKING DEEP BREATHS.

If you see a fellow half a mile away on a hill or mountain, yell and see if you can make him hear you.

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No wonder. You haven't had a good yell since you were a kid. I'll wager one thing, if you're a smoker. That after yelling, if you yell good and hard, you won't feel like smoking for awhile.

I will suggest something else, though, I know, you won't do it unless you are thoroughly determined to improve yourself.

CLIMB A TREE WHEN YOU COME ACROSS A GOOD ONE. You will find lots of big ones in Marin county.

The idea, you see, is to make yourself young by doing those things which the young do—by really playing when you play.

Chances are that when you were a kid, if you lived in the country you climbed trees.

When you return home I'll make you another little wager. That if, after taking a hot bath, you eat a good supper, you won't feel overfed.

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The two detectives were over by Meiggs wharf investigating a "kick", when they saw an automobile pass by. They observed that the two occupants covered their faces with their hands, which aroused the suspicion of the officers. They surmised who the gents were, and hailed a passing autoist who had a fast car.

A chase ensued. Through lumber yards, warehouses, up alleys, down lanes, and along the water front the two cars flew. The officers gained but could not overtake their quarry. Aftey twenty blocks of this exciting chase the fleeing pair were forced on the Embarcadero, and at Market street were forced to halt by the traffic stream. Bunner and McLoughlin overtook them and rushing up on either side of the machine, with drawn revolvers, ordered the two men to throw up their hands. They did so "immediate."

They were wanted for sticking up William Pratt, 586 39th avenue, last August and robbing him of \$100. Pratt recognized Fox, having seen him box in one of the local fights, and ever since his report the police have been looking for Fox.

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The New York Police Department

By L. A. COLTON, Director of Purchases, Zellerbach Paper Company, Who Is Writing a Series of Articles on Eastern Police Methods



L. A. Colton

L. A. Colton, Director of Purchases of the Zellerbach Paper Company is in New York on a business trip. He writes Douglas 20 that he was much interested in police matters and thought he would see if the New York department was as courteous to visitors as is San Francisco's finest. He says

that he was received with open arms and made to feel perfectly at home. Inspectors John J. Coughlin and William D. Roddy were detailed to show him about.

Under classified headings he writes for this magazine of the various departments visited and his observations are interesting to all police officers:

Bureau of Identification

Mr. John Golden is the Lieutenant in charge of this Bureau, and is at the present moment in Europe visiting such cities as Vienna, Brussels, Paris and London, for the purpose of investigating the latest methods of finger-print method of investigation. He is accompanied by Deputy Chief Inspector Belton, who is studying general police conditions, and William Davis, Inspector of Traffic, who is studying traffic conditions. These gentlemen will be gone for some time.

Lieut. Golden has in mind the perfecting of a scheme whereby finger-printing will be handled by wire, which theory was advanced by Hakon Jorgensen, an expert of Norway. Mr. Jorgensen has advanced the proposition of putting finger-printing on a code basis, and transmitting by code such identifications as are made, so that within two hours after the finger-print is secured, the identification can be checked in almost any city in the world.

The New York Police Department is also much interested in something along the lines of the Central Bureau that now functions in Paris, and, perhaps, other European cities. The Central Bureau acts as a clearing house for the district involved, and exchanges information and finger-prints, which plan, if properly carried out, will be a great help to the gentlemen that are sworn to protect the lives and property of the citizens.

Incidentally, I was informed, very much to my surprise, that the lights used in handling the Fifth Avenue traffic are really a development of a traffic scheme evolved in some German city.

Property Room

This is one of the most interesting of all the ex-

hibits in the Department. The Chief of this Department is a Civil Service employe, and, naturally, the only man in the Department not a regular officer. Some sort of an idea of the business done by this Department can be secured from the fact that item No. 96941 has been entered up for 1923 up to the present moment.

The Property Clerk has, under his supervision, beside the large room at headquarters, some seven warehouses, and, at the present moment, has on

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hand, twenty-four million dollars of seized whiskey, and fifty thousand dollars of moneys held in evidence, and about \$200,000 worth of narcotics. There is the usual collection of weapons, merchandise, and in fact every imaginable article comes under charge of the Property Clerk.

There is a regular gymnasium conducted at stated intervals, and the present class is about two hundred. Calisthenics and boxing under the supervision of competent instructors form a regular part of the life of a New York officer.

Bureau of Missing Persons

This is a most unique service and engages the regular services of thirty men and one woman. In a national magazine of recent issue, Captain Ayres went into detail, so it would be superfluous to treat on it in this brief article. I have examined the blank filed in so-called "missing" cases, and it is a model. This blank calls for everything but the missing one's politics; but, if it is a New Yorker, that is not needed, of course.

Modus Operandi

This is the feature number of the New York Police Department. They are inordinately proud of it, and justly so. Briefly, it provides for a classification of the criminal into the various branches of crime, viz: "pickpockets," "lush workers," "confidence operators," etc. There are general classes, further subdivided, so that almost every kind of crime is provided for. The method of application is as follows:

A citizen reports that a man entered his place of business, drew a gun, and forced him to give up his valuables. The citizen making the complaint is asked to roughly give height etc., and is then conducted to a file that contains pictures and all identification data of those that are so listed as specializing in that particular crime. The records are divided into the various heights, etc., and, if the victim is fresh from the scene, is very often able to identify the criminal. It is a most excellent plan, but suited to only such places as have a sufficient criminal population large enough to classify.

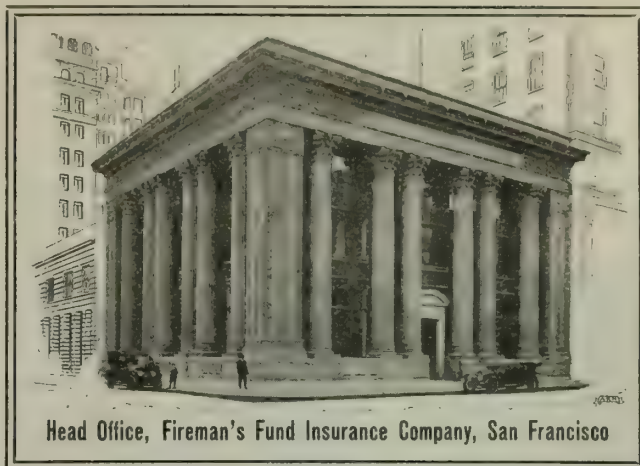
Remarks

I inspected the radio department for broadcasting and receiving, and a most magnificent photographing and developing plant, up-to-date to the last minute, and noted the wonderful cleanliness of every Department. It was spotless.

The handling of the New York Police is a problem with a budget of thirty million, and twelve thousand patrolmen; it constitutes a city unto itself.

Inspector Coughlin and Detective Roddy both know our own Chief Dan O'Brien and Captain Duncan Matheson, and speak highly of them and our Department.

I certainly enjoyed my visit and cannot speak too much for the hospitality displayed.



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By HALSEY E. MANWARING, *Manager the Palace Hotel*

The temporary White House—to the layman meaning just that, nothing more, nothing less. But to the man in charge a term that carries preponderous significance, days and weeks of planning, a most radical change from every-day routine, and the weight of responsibility rests heavily.



Halsey E. Manwaring

When it was finally decided by the Mayor's Committee that The Palace was to be the late President Harding's San Francisco headquarters there was one set of orders issued to cover the entire visit, to-wit: "There

will be no errors, no oversights. The Presidential party must leave the Palace Hotel each member thoroughly convinced that no greater service or comfort could have been given them anywhere." Just how well these instructions were carried out by the members of my staff is evinced by the very beautiful letters received from Mrs. Harding, Executive Secretary Smithers, Brigadier-General Sawyer, Chief of Secret Service Starling and others.

As I have said previously, the responsibility connected with such an eventful visit is of tremendous weight, but the burden was lightened to a considerable extent by the very efficient manner in

which Chief of Police Daniel J. O'Brien and his subordinates handled all of the many details assigned to his department.

Upon the arrival of the Presidential party Chief O'Brien occupied permanent headquarters but a few feet removed from the President's chamber, from where he directed the operations of the plain-clothes and uniformed officers under his command. I doubt if ever an important personage was as carefully guarded, and certainly none

more carefully than was the late President; from above, from below and from all sides did the Chief's men keep constant vigil. My sincere thanks have already been extended to my good friend, Dan O'Brien, for the care, anxiety and worry that he took from off my shoulders.



The Palace Hotel

DUCKS OF GOLDEN GATE PARK

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each of the feathered denizens of the park, but you will find it a source of amusement and educational also, in your strolls out in that great playground to note the different species of ducks and see if you can recognize among them any of the following, some residents and others only temporary visitors:

Spoonbill, bluebill, ruddy duck, American Merganser, whistling swan, white fronted goose, rose snow goose, fulvous tree duck, cormorant, California murre, pigeon Guillemot, tufted puffin, kingfisher, hell diver, loon, pink pelican, curlew, avocet, bittern, pied billed grebe, rail and heron.

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AUTO DETAIL

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Following will be given a few instances of what the San Francisco Police Department automobile detail has done and is doing every month of the year to get back machines that have been stolen in this city and in many cities beyond San Francisco.

Sergeant Michael Mitchell, Detective Sergeants Charles Dullea, Philip Lindecker and Peter Hughes were cruising around out in the Mission one morning about 1 o'clock, when a black cat ran across the road in front of them. Mitchell remarked that it was a sure sign that the gang was going to be busy before long. Hardly had the words left his mouth when there shot by their machine a red Oldsmobile roadster with a man and a woman in it. They got a flash of the license numbers, 300-803, and quickly recognized it as a car reported stolen from a Standard Oil Company employee, and which had been reported as stolen but a few hours previous.

Chase was given the speeding roadster, and at Eighth and Mission it was overtaken. Pulling up alongside, the officers with shotguns and rifles pointing at the driver, commanded him to halt. He laughed, and they opened fire at the running board, both machines doing fifty miles an hour. This did not cause the driver to slow down. Another shot higher up got no better results and then Mitchell fired at the driver and the car was seen to swerve toward the curb. Mitchell jumped from his car to the stolen car, and while his companions covered the driver of the latter, stopped the engine. He ordered the man at the wheel to get out, but he did not obey, and looking up at him Mitchell saw he was shot in the head. The woman began to scream, luckily not having been hit.

The detectives took the injured man to the hospital where he recovered, and when he was taken to the city prison he confessed to Sergeant Arthur McQuade, head of the detail, that he had robbed a store out in the Mission, that he had committed eighteen robberies, and for each robbery used a different car. He said he had his lesson and was through. He took a plea, was sent to San Quentin, and made a model prisoner.

Then there was the case of Detective Sergeant Wm. Milliken and Detective Gus Tompkins. They were at the Ingleside station one morning when they got information that an automobile had been stolen. They got the description and the license numbers and started out by way of Ocean avenue toward the beach. When near Ingleside Terrace, a car passed them. They saw the number, recognized it as the car they had been tipped off to. They turned around and gave chase. The three men in the stolen car, seeing they were pursued, speeded up and when they passed Chief O'Brien's

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house on Ocean avenue the two machines were doing 70 miles per hour. The pursued turned east on Mission street, and when over the viaduct sought to escape on a street leading into the Potrero district. They took the corner at full speed, exchanging shots with the two detectives.

Seeing the street they had selected, Milliken who knew the district told Tompkins their work was over, for he said they were in a blind street and could never stop to save their lives. He was right for they tore through the end, on through three back yards, tearing down fences and out-houses.

The three escaped, but later on that morning the detective located two of the men, one being shot in the neck. He was found where he was being hid by friends on the waterfront. The man who escaped, it was later learned, was almost killed by a load of buckshot which hit him in the side of the head. He was successfully hidden and later sent out of the city. The car they were in was badly wrecked.

THREE BUREAUS GET BAD GANG

Through the vigilance of Detective Sergeants Jack Dolan and Fred Bohr of the hotel details followed by the work of Lieutenant Henry Powell's men of the pawnshop detail and Detective Sergeant Richmond Tatham, burglary detail and Detective Sergeant William O'Brien, a series of burglaries in the Richmond District were cleaned up.

Three youths are in jail and a second hand dealer is held to answer for receiving stolen goods.

Dolan and Bohr got a tip that in a certain second class hotel, a man was stopping who was displaying a lot of loot. They conducted an investigation and found the gent's name was Allen Overs, a youth instead of a man, and that he had two assistants in his work on Mario Regalia and Hector Tomasini.

The two detective sergeants unearthed a lot of property stolen from the home of J. J. Farrell, contractor of the Federal Reserve building whose home had with six others been burglarized. Overs was persuaded to talk. He did and he told these men, Tatham and Powell all about his nefarious experiences and what he had done with a lot of the loot. He said he sold some of it to Sam Price, a second hand man, 1304 Webster Street. Powell sent Barney Reighl, George Hippley, Jere Dinan and Ernest Gable on a scouting trip. They found Mr. Price had a lot of stuff he had not declared to the pawnshop detail. He denied at first that he had anything that was "hot".

However search revealed a lot of things that had been stolen from the six homes referred to, so Price was charged and subsequently held to answer for receiving stolen goods.

Overs pleaded guilty and will be sentenced by Judge Murasky. Regalia was held to answer for receiving stolen property and Tomasini for burglary.

A hotel clerk who had accepted some jewelry as a gift quickly returned the same when he saw the activity of the chief but he was also held to answer for receiving stolen goods.

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DURANT

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as to make it look like blood, and a few strands of hair, it contained the following note: "You are on the wrong trail. Got the wrong bird. My handiwork. Harry, the Hacker. Find me, if you can." The box and its contents had evidently been thrown there by some goofy, who thought it was a smart joke.

As the morning passed great excitement prevailed in and outside the prison. Detective Anthony appeared with a warrant charging Durant with the murder of Minnie Williams. The prisoner was then taken into the office of Chief Crowley to be inspected by three young ladies who were classmates of Blanche Lamont at the Normal School, on Powell street, near Sacramento. On the day of Blanche Lamont's disappearance she came out of the school with these three young ladies, and in walking down to Clay Street, at Powell, Durant was standing on the corner and tipped his hat to her. They then boarded the car sitting on the outside, on the dummy. One of the classmates entered the car on the inside. As the car went along Powell street the other two girls had just reached California and Powell on their way home when the car appeared. Both of the girls took particular notice of Blanche Lamont and Durant sitting on the car, on the dummy. In other words they wanted to see what Blanche's beau looked like.

These three young ladies appeared at the Chief's office, and he instructed them that if they recognized the prisoner as the man they saw with Blanche Lamont, to say so. Durant was then brought into the Chief's office, and as he entered he glanced sharply at Miss Edwards, who had boarded the car with her and Blanche Lamont. The three girls positively identified Durant. They were then taken to the Morgue and Blanche Lamont's clothing was identified by them as that which she wore on leaving the school. There was not the least hesitation apparent in their identification of him.

Durant, when questioned by the Chief as to the girls identifying him, stated that he had never seen them, and at the time mentioned he claimed to be at the College, where a lecture was delivered by Dr. Cheney on the subject of "How Infants Feed", involving the matter of the sterilization of milk. His name was marked "present" on the roll book at the lecture, but upon Dr. Cheney being questioned in regard to it, he could not positively state whether he was present, as the roll call was taken after the lecture had been concluded, when there was always confusion. Several students who were present at the lecture, were also called, but none of them could state that Durant had been there. This roll call was the pivotal point

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that the defense centered on in the trial but the alibi was not established.

There were a number of phrenologists and those interested in the knowledge of craneology, who expressed a desire to discover, if possible, any formation of the head of Durant that would indicate the possession of abnormal passion, but the police would not permit any of the gentlemen to examine Durant's head until they were through with him, as it was said that there was too much danger of some pretended physician putting into the young man's hands the means of defeating the ends of justice.

Previous to the trial of Durant, Captain Lees ordered Sergeant Russell to have erected a miniature model of the belfry tower of the Church, and enough of the building indicating the floors, as he was afraid the court would not allow the jurymen to visit the church, and so had this elaborate model built so that the jurymen might thoroughly understand the scenes of the murders. The heavy beams of the model were as thick as your thumb, the rafters and joists were the smallest of laths, while the stairs and ladders and the furniture of the church would fit a child's doll house. It was this model that played a large part in the trial. Russell also had a line map of the territory immediately surrounding the Church, and this, with the model of the tower and some photographs of the Church and its vicinity, were all admitted as exhibits in the case. Sergeant Russell took the stand, and speaking in a slow, careful and matter of fact way, explained the different parts of the practical model, tower and belfry.

Then the taking of evidence began in earnest. The first witness called was C. G. Noble, Blanche Lamont's uncle. All he was called for was to swear that the body found in the belfry of the Church was that of his niece. This was merely satisfying the requirements of the law by proving that the girl was dead.

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of the following sentences that will make the sentence complete and correct. Twenty-four questions were given.

Will you play ball with John and? (I, me)

I have several books, of which will help you. (either, any)

Are those? (they, them)

..... the Jar on the floor. (sit, set.)

Was itwhom you met? (her, she.)

We can go more quietly than (her, she.)

The driver and will go to-morrow. (we, us.)

I do not know you mean. (who, whom.)

..... we have time to rest a moment? (shall, will.)

You may depend upon coming early. (his, him.)

Spelling

Some of the fifty words below are correctly spelled and some are incorrectly spelled. If the word is correctly spelled put a circle around R. (meaning right) and if incorrectly spelled put a circle around W. (meaning wrong). Fifty words were given.

R. W. safley	R. W. posession
R. W. acquireing	R. W. alright
R. W. seperate	R. W. fitness
R. W. agravate	R. W. statment

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You were asked to copy a few lines word for word and continue copying the same until the gong is rung, marking the time to answer the next test.

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Knowledge of the City

In the following examples, if the right answer is a number or letter write that number or letter in the parentheses () at the right of the page; but if the right answer is a word put the number of that word in the parentheses (). There were fifty-seven questions given.

Which of these hills is nearest the Third & Townsend Depot? 1. Rincon, 2. Russian, 3. Telegraph, 4. Strawberry. Answer ().

Which of these U. S. Forts is nearest the U. S. Transport Docks? 1. Miley, 2. Funston, 3. Mason, 4. Scott. Answer ().

On which of these streets is the first National Bank? 1. Kearny, 2. Sutter, 3. Geary, 4. Montgomery. Answer ().

Which of these streets skirts Lafayette Square? 1. Sacramento, 2. California, 3. Bush, 4. Montgomery. Answer ().



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On which of these streets is the State Building? 1. Fulton, 2. Grove, 3. Golden Gate, 4. McAllister. Answer ().

On which of these streets is the Custom House? 1. California, 2. Front, 3. Beal, 4. Battery. Answer ().

On which of these streets is the San Francisco Hospital? 1. Potrero, 2. Bryant, 3. Mission, 4. Guerrero. Answer ().

Which of these streets is Labor Temple? 1. Oak, 2. Sixteenth, 3. Folsom, 4. Channel. Answer ().

On which of these streets is the U. S. Sub-treasury building? 1. Pine, 2. California, 3. Bush, 4. Montgomery. Answer ().

Which of these street cars reaches the Third & Townsend Depot? 10, H, 20, 23. Answer ().

Knowledge of Laws and Duties

Some of the following statements are true and some are false. If the statement is true underline true. If the statement is false, underline false.

True—False—Any person who willfully adds to the votes actually cast at an election, in any unofficial returns is not punishable by imprisonment in the state prison.

True—False—It is a proper defense to a prosecution for perjury that the accused did not know the materiality of the false statement made by him.

True—False—Every person who maliciously and without probable cause procures a search warrant or warrant of arrest to be issued and executed, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

True—False—To make the killing either murder or manslaughter, it is requisite that the party die within a year and a day after the stroke received or the cause of death administered.

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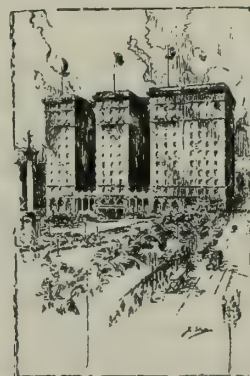
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True—False—Any person who attempts to give money to a player in a baseball game, with the understanding that the player shall not use his best efforts to win such baseball game, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

True—False—It is lawful for a jitney driver without just cause or excuse to refuse to carry any passenger.

Rules of Evidence

Subject—Knowledge of Laws and Duties.

True—False—To establish facts, the law requires such a degree of proof as, excluding possibility of error, produces absolute certainty.

True—False—Oral evidence of the contents of a written instrument is secondary evidence of the instrument and contents.

True—False—The direct evidence of one witness who is entitled to full credit is sufficient proof of any fact.

True—False—An attorney can not, without the consent of his client, be examined as to any communication made by the client to him.

True—False—A subpoena can be issued only by the judge or the clerk of the Court.

True—False—A person served with a subpoena to attend as a witness before the court, is exonerated from arrest in a civil action, while returning from attendance at such court.

True—False—An offer to compromise is a direct admission that something is due.

Police and Fire Ordinances

Subject—Knowledge of Laws & Duties

True—False—It is unlawful to paste an advertisement on a telegraph pole belonging to a private company without permission from the Board of Supervisors, even though that private company has given its permission.

True—False—A retailer may sell a revolver to a private person who does not exhibit a permit from the Board of Police Commissioners if such person is over twenty-one years of age.

True—False—Gas as well as electricity may be used for illuminating purposes in automobile garages.

Rules of Police Department

Subject—Knowledge of Laws & Duties

True—False—Making arrests on telephone messages from outside counties is strictly prohibited.

True—False—A member of the Department, having a case in court, shall report at the Bond and Warrant Clerk's office at 9:00 A. M. on the day the case is set for trial.

True—False—In arresting a motorman operating a street car, for a misdemeanor, the officer shall accompany the prisoner to the regular street car terminal before taking him to the City Prison.

True—False—A Corporal on duty, when not otherwise detailed, shall communicate with his Station every hour or as near thereto as possible.

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The following is taken from a national magazine and was written by a former Chronicle police reporter about the well known police reporter Jack O'Brien of the Examiner. Royce Brier, author of a serial "The Thirteenth Tack" wrote the following:

"If you will permit me to say a few words about myself, I will say it by speaking of someone else. Down in the reporters' room of the Hall of Justice of San Francisco is a remarkable little man by the name of Jack O'Brien. For twenty-four years he has been the night police reporter of a morning newspaper, and it was my good fortune for a year to cover the same beat for a rival morning paper.

"In many a solemn silence of midnight, I have listened while O'Brien spun enthralling yarns of the underworld of that most fascinating of cities. At times: bong! bong!—a three-alarm in the warehouse district! Or a quiet voice from the Central Bureau—'double tong shooting in Chinatown'. But generally O'Brien finished his tale, and few can tell such tales as he.

"If 'The Thirteenth Tack' bears the flavor of a true and unexaggerated cross-section of the daily lives of the hunters of men and the hunted, as I hope it has, then much is due to the kindly guidance and the penetration of Jack O'Brien, when a raw youth came on the 'beat' to buck him in one of the most exacting posts in the newspaper battle array. He alone would recognize 'Spider' in 'The Thirteenth Tack'.

"Sincerely,

Everett, Wash. ROYCE BRIER."

CIVIL SERVICE SECRETS

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Traffic Laws

Subject—Knowledge of Laws & Duties

True—False—Every person driving a vehicle upon the streets shall travel on the left side of the street when it is practicable to do so.

True—False—Market Street from Sixth to Seventh is within the 40 minute parking limit between 2 p. m. and 3 p. m. on ordinary week days.

True—False—A motor vehicle used for commercial purposes need not be equipped with a windshield.

Military Tactics

Subject—Knowledge of Laws and Duties

True—False—The cadence in quick time is at the rate of 120 steps per minute.

True—False—The command, "Incline to the Right" will bring about a greater change in direction than the command "Column half right."

True—False—The command of execution precedes the preparatory command.

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BUNCO MEN

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"I'll hide the wallet in my hat," says No. 1 to the sucker and they start for an alley. At this point No. 2 appears and addressing No. 1 and the sucker asks them if they have found a wallet.

No. 1 promptly answers that they have not and the sucker shows his dishonesty by backing him up.

No. 2 becomes insolent and declares that some one saw them pick up the wallet and demands to be allowed to search them. No. 1 winks at the sucker and gives No. 2 permission to search him.

In submitting to the search, No. 1 hands all his valuables, watch, money and so on to the sucker to hold for him. Breathlessly the sucker watches No. 1 being searched by the alleged owner of the lost wallet, No. 2. Finally after searching all the pockets, No. 2 demands No. 1 to remove his shoes to see if the wallet is hidden there. This is done by of course the wallet is not to be found.

"Well, you haven't got it," acknowledges No. 2, pretending to be perplexed, and No. 1 winks at the sucker as much as to convey that he choose the right place when he chose to hide the wallet in his hat for that is the one place the alleged owner overlooked.

Then No. 2 suddenly takes notice of the sucker and declares:

"You have it! I want to search you!"

"Go as far as you like," smiles the sucker, for he knows the wallet is not on him. At the suggestion of No. 1, the sucker takes out his watch, money and other valuables and hands them over to No. 1, his supposed friend, to hold for him while the search is being made. No. 2 makes the search and finally, as he did with No. 1, demands the sucker to remove his shoes to see if the wallet is hidden in them. The sucker does so gladly and hands them to No. 2.

Right here the sucker comes to with a jar. No. 2 instead of scrutinizing the shoes, takes them and throws them as far as he can. Then he and No. 1 make off, the latter with all of the sucker's valuables. And the unscrupulous sucker, when he comes to the realization that No. 1 and No. 2 are really in league and are robbing him, has to retrieve his shoes and put them on before he can give chase. Of course, by that time, the two bunco men have put a safe distance between themselves and the sucker. This is one of the crudest of the bunco games but is an illustration of a game that can only be played on a sucker inclined to be dishonest himself.

(To be continued in November Issue)

Officer Harvey Deline of the Central district is one of the most expert pistol shots in the department. He got a lot of practise in the little argument we had in the Philippines some years ago.

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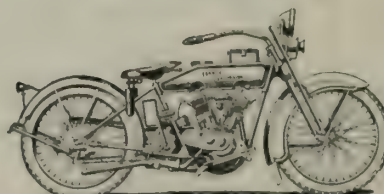
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Free treatment of children affected with tuberculosis, is the object of The Charles S. Howard Foundation, articles of incorporation for which have just been filed with the Secretary of State at Sacramento.

The corporation has been formed by Chas. S. Howard, the local automobile dealer, who has donated outright the sum of \$150,000, which will be used for the immediate establishment of a 20-bed pavilion for the care of tubercular children whose parents cannot afford to pay for care and treatment at a private institution.

The pavilion will be located at Belmont, San Mateo county, and will be operated by the staff of the California Sanatorium, headed by Dr. Max Rothschild and Dr. Harry C. Warren.

Aided Charities.

Howard has long been interested in the subject of child illnesses, purely from a philanthropic point of view. He has contributed largely to charities and clinics whose objects were the welfare of children. This is his largest single venture in financing the attack upon child diseases.

Dr. Warren, who will be in immediate charge of the Howard Foundation, says:

Tuberculosis is primarily a disease of childhood. Statistics prove that 90 per cent of all children between the ages of 2 and 14 years react positively to the tests for tuberculosis. Of this number, a relatively small number, of course, develop the disease actively. But the infection remains there, dormant until other infections are contracted, or until the body is run down to a condition of poor resisting power. Then it frequently breaks out into activity.

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Crime prevention has been a hobby of Chief O'Brien ever since he has been at the head of the police department. He has through his years of experience found that with the co-operation of the public many crimes can be prevented and to that end he has appointed a crime prevention commission within the department. Each captain of the District, Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson, Captain Gleeson and Captain William Quinn with himself compose this body.

It is the purpose of the chief according to the general order he sent out early this month to have a survey made of every part of the city, have policemen on the beat tell the business man, the factory operator, the commercial concerns, the hotels, the lodging houses, property owners and tenants, and office buildings what to do to prevent robberies, burglaries and handling of bad checks. Thus it is expected to reduce crime hazards.

Each week at the meetings of the captains these questions will be discussed and reports made, and any law abiding citizen who has a sincere desire to learn how to protect his property can come before this meeting with his case, or he can take it up with the captain in his district or the officers on the beat, and each and every member of the department is impressed with the desire that all such citizens shall be given the fullest information along the lines of crime prevention.

Recently the owners and managers of office buildings appealed to the chief and Captain Matheson for some rules looking to the protection of the large office buildings in this city, and by which theft could be reduced to a minimum. We are presenting herewith the rules submitted and which was adopted by the office building association, printed copies by the hundreds being supplied by them for their tenants. Next month we will present rules for the householder to follow:

Never occupy any office or suite without first ascertaining if all the keys are accounted for, both for outer and inner doors.

Never use a safe or wall vault with the old combination. Have the combination changed immediately on occupancy.

Never leave the combination to the safe or vault in your private desk. Keep it in your safe deposit box.

Never lock the safe or vault by slightly turning the dial. Give at least two turns in opposite directions.

Never leave the office until all the employees are gone and be sure that the office doors, office equipment, safes, vaults and windows are securely locked and keys taken out of outer doors.

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P. J. KELLY



P. J. Kelly

Of the many aspirants for the position of Supervisor there is none more deserving than P. J. Kelly, who has the endorsement of the United Voters. Of particular interest to the members of the police is the fact that he has proved his loyalty to our rank and file.

In 1921-1922, when a member of the grand jury, Mr. Kelly was chairman of the special committee on traffic and in his report recommendations were made that indicated an intelligent familiarity with one of our most important problems and a full appreciation of the difficulties that face the members of the department. His report also commended the Police Judges for their activity in punishing violators of the traffic laws.

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Lieut. Michael Riordan

An object lesson is offered to every new member of the police department in the elevation from sergeant to lieutenant of Michael Riordan, on September 17, by the Board of Police Commissioners.

Lieutenant Riordan reached the second highest rank in the department from the position of a patrolman in less than three years.

Simply by utilizing a portion of his spare time to studying he so fitted himself that when he took the examinations for sergeant and for lieutenant he was No. 1 on each eligible list of the civil service commission. In the examination for corporal he was fifth in a class of nearly 300.

In addition to equipping himself with the knowledge necessary for advancement in police work he has been admitted to the bar of the State of California, having passed with high honors in 1921 the stiff examination necessary to obtain a license to practice law in this state.

Six years almost to the hour, to be exact on March 31, 1913, Michael Riordan was appointed a member of the San Francisco Police Department, after sailing from Queenstown (Ireland). He was assigned to the Park Station where he remained for two months, and then was sent to the Central district where he did police duty until 1916 when he was called into the service of the bomb bureau created to handle the investigation following the fatal preparedness day explosion. So well did he handle the indexing of the exhibits and so carefully and completely did he keep the records of evidence gathered that he was sent to the general office.

When the nation needed soldiers Michael Riordan laid aside his star and joined the Third Battalion of the Fifty-Fifth Engineers. He had been studying law, was a master of shorthand, and after a few weeks at the University of California training school he was sent to Fort Leavenworth. Here his ability was readily recognized and in a few weeks after his arrival at the camp he was elevated from the ranks of a private to sergeant major, and handled all the records of the headquarters payroll and much of the correspondence of his battalion.

After the war he returned to the department, was assigned to the general office again, and resumed the study of law at nights at St. Ignatius College. He improved his knowledge of shorthand, took a course in writing, winning a prize for the best story on the graduation exercises of St. Ignatius College, and yet he found enough time to take the corporal's examination in 1920. He was appointed a corporal on April 20, 1921. In

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Prior to being appointed a lieutenant he had been transferred from the license bureau to take charge of all the correspondence from the Chief's office.

In all the duties assigned to him he has been commended by his superiors, had never had a reprimand and intends to continue in his progress until he passes the captain's test next year.

As an attorney he has tasted fire in the courts of the city, his most notable case being when he went to the defense of Captain Charles Goff in court on a charge of contempt in breaking up a gambling game which he knew was in operation but which had an injunction. So well did Riordan handle this case that Superior Judge Harold Lunderback called attention to his work and commended him for the ability he displayed.

This opportunity is offered to every man entering the department. Each man can, if he will devote the time to prepare himself, get to a higher rank. It can't be done by pull, and it can't be done by laying down on the job. Hit the ball for a few hours a week and then it will come easy. There are other men who are on the lieutenant's list who when given their rank will be entitled to credit as has Lieutenant Riordan and this magazine will then write of them.

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THE BOY AND THE POLICE OFFICER

By DAVID F. SUPPLE, Well-Known San Francisco Realty Man.



It is indeed a very great pleasure for me to speak to the members of the San Francisco Police Department, thru the medium of the official paper, Douglas 20. I have traveled over the United States many times visiting every large city and many of the smaller ones and nowhere have I seen a police force that will outrank San Francisco—and you have earned this standing because of your desire to be human, and being human causes you to cooperate with the common people to such an extent as to bring about respect for authority and of law and order.

Let me dwell for a moment on a part that you can play that will be helpful in moulding the minds of the youth to make of them the best in citizenship. Unquestionably the greatest problem of today is the boy. We are confronted today with the problem of developing and educating to good citizenship over 6,000,000 boys. We are also confronted with the problem that there are very few who are trained and qualified to undertake this work. Here is where you can do your part—remember that three-quarters of a boy's awake and active life is spent away from the class room. Proper guidance, therefore, outside of school hours is a question of paramount importance.

If all boys had proper homes and parents, then the home would be the natural and ideal atmosphere for the boys outside of school hours. Unfortunately, a greatly involved social condition today deprives the boy of the close contact with his parents. The result is that the boy finds easy companionship with the "gang" on the street. There is nothing essentially wrong or evil in the "gang" if properly directed, but without proper direction it will without difficulty get into mischief.

The members of the Police Department can sense the importance of this problem—therefore, make friends with the boy and be a guardian of his welfare, counsel and advise with him, and your action in this respect will be most beneficial in moulding the boy's mind to respect authority and to observe law and order.

Police Officer Jack Ryan, for years building superintendent for the police department, and for more than that an active worker for the welfare of the Widows' and Orphans' Association, keeping it up to the high standard it has enjoyed for a long time, has been urged by his many friends to step out for vice president at the coming meeting. He has consented and will be one of the friendly contenders of this annual friendly election.

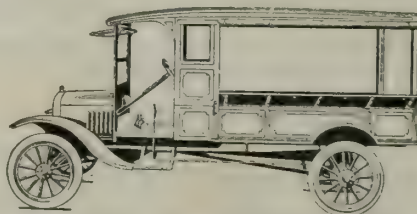
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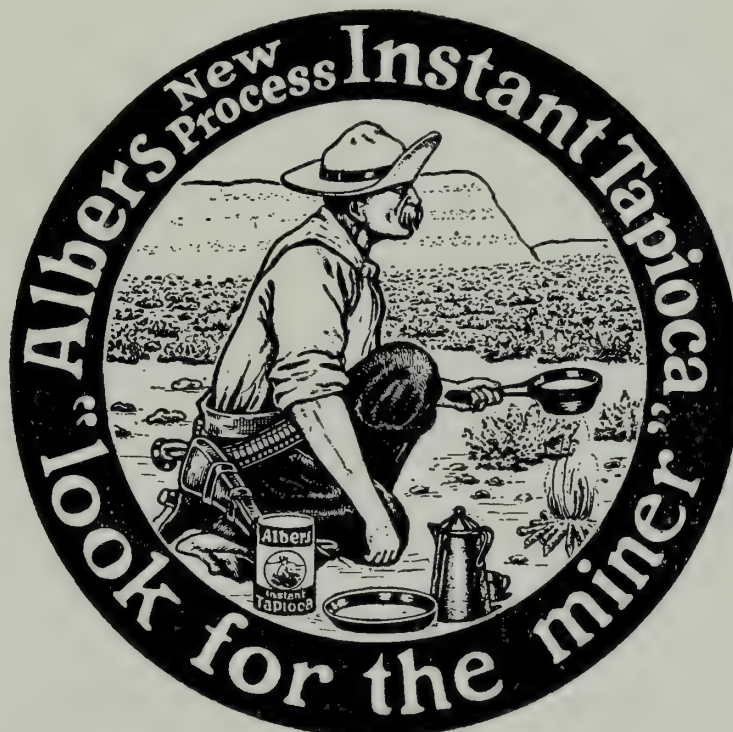
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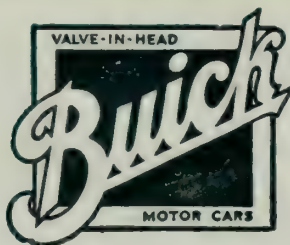
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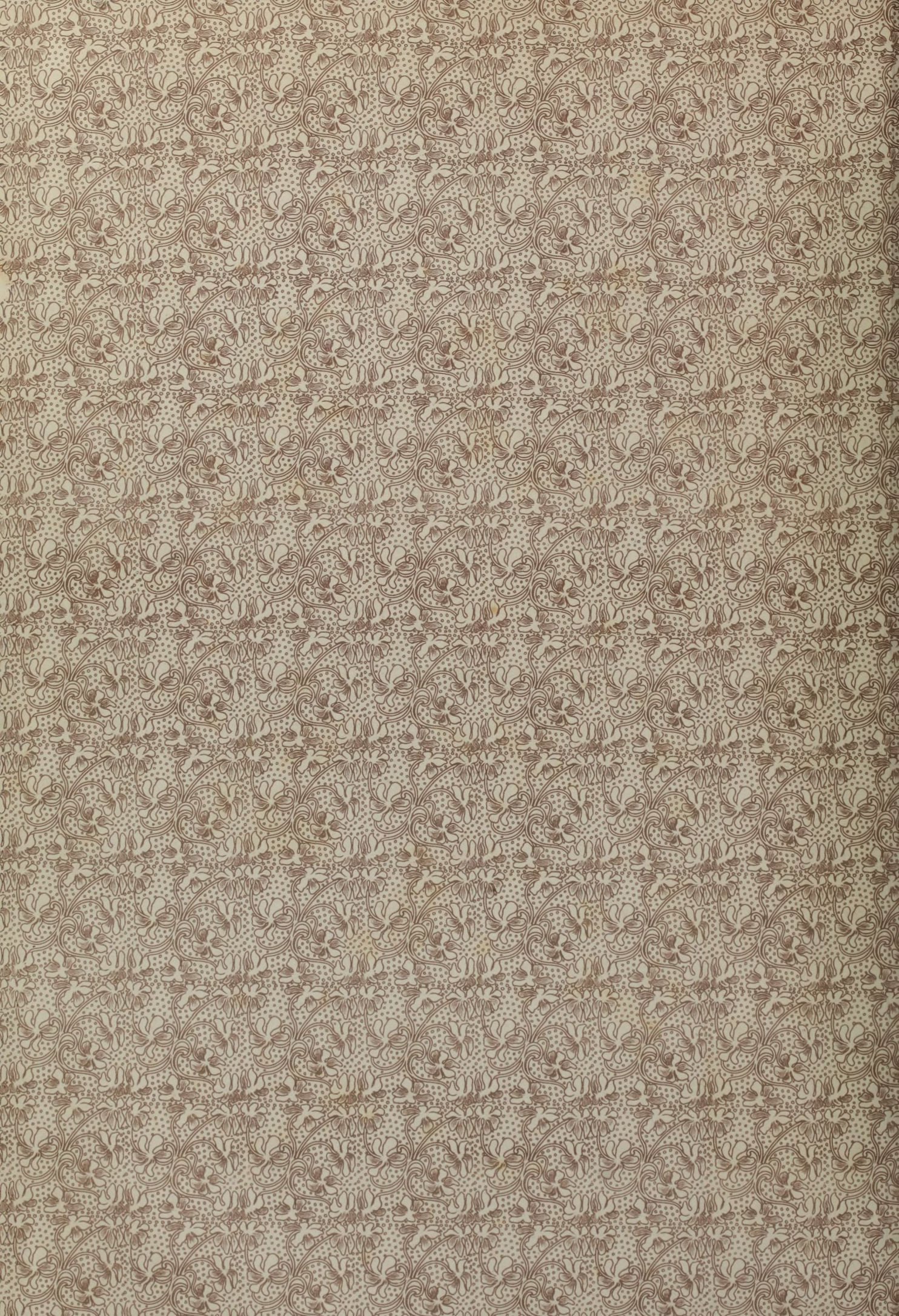
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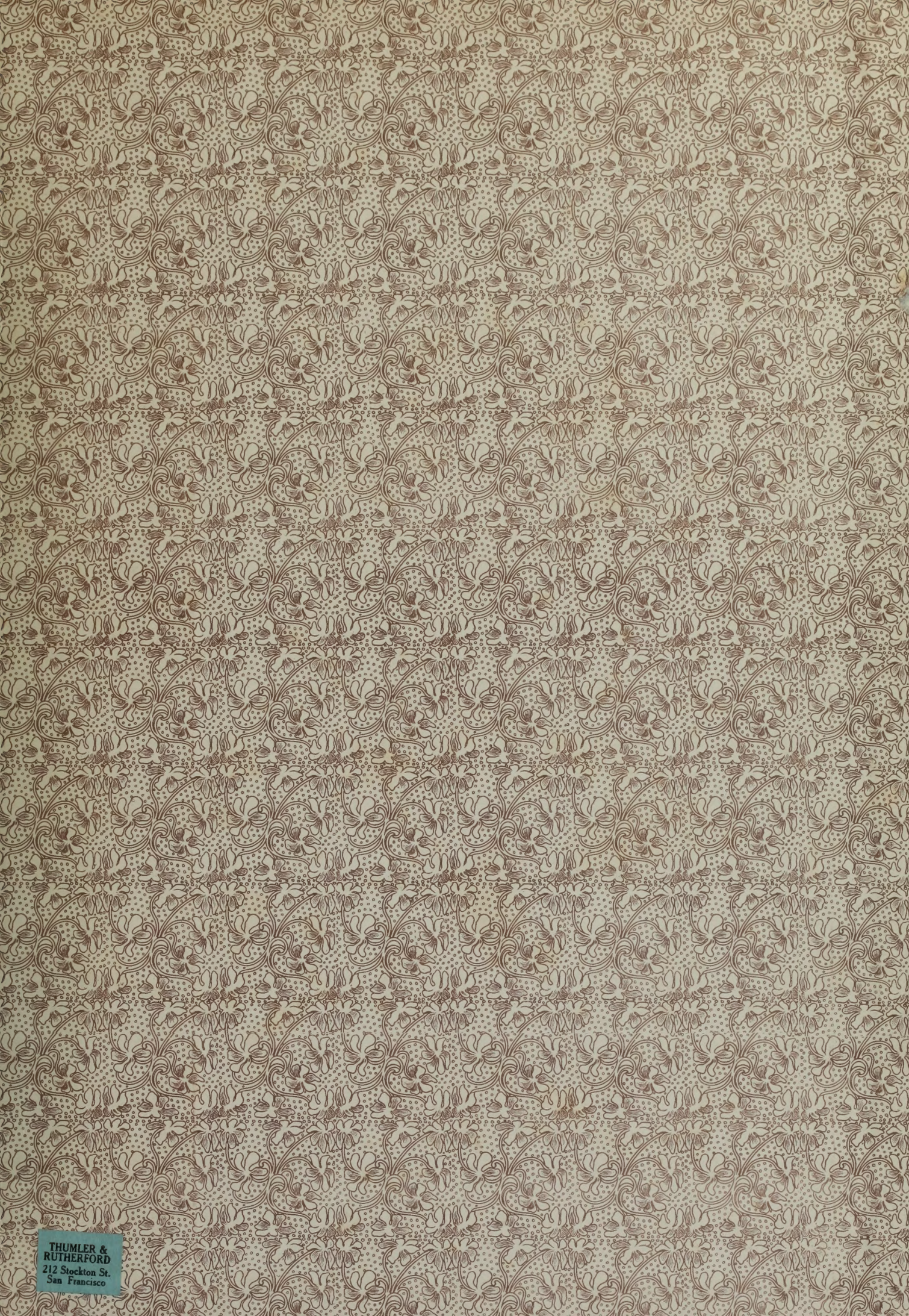
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